#### H. B. No. 122 - Representatives Hambley, Rogers

### Cosponsors: Representatives West, Smith, K., Sheehy

To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends passage, see House Journal, May 10, 2017, p. 451.)

### Am, H. B. No. 134 - Representatives Hambley, Kick

### Cosponsors: Representatives Wiggam, Stein

To amend sections 307.283 and 5739.026 of the Revised Code to allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, May 16, 2017, p. 464.)

### H. B. No. 135 - Representative Patmon

To enact section 5.49 of the Revised Code to designate June 12th as "Superman Day."

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends passage, see House Journal, May 16, 2017, p. 465.)

#### H. B. No. 136 - Representative Arndt

Cosponsors: Representatives Green, Greenspan, Sheehy, Hughes, Lepore-Hagan, West To enact sections 5534.802 and 5534.803 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 61 in Eric County as the "SGT David Sexton Memorial Highway" and a portion of Benton-Carroll Road in Ottawa County as "SGT Glen Millinger Memorial Highway."

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 1, 2017, p. 364.)

### H. B. No. 140 - Representative Green

Cosponsors: Representatives Boccieri, Cera, Faber, Johnson, Lipps, Miller, Perales, Riedel, Rogers, Sheehy, Sprague, Sweeney, Greenspan, Hughes, Lepore-Hagan To enact section 5534.78 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 32 in Brown and Highland Counties as the "Army Specialist Danny Raymond King Memorial Highway."

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 1, 2017, p. 365.)

#### H. B. No. 196 - Representative Lipps

Cosponsors: Representatives West, Sprague, Riedel, Wiggam, Smith, R., Boccieri, Thompson, Sweeney, Lepore-Hagan, Antonio, Stein, Cupp, Miller, Huffman, Gavarone, Antani. Johnson

To enact section 5,2518 of the Revised Code to designate October as "Ohio Chiropractic Awareness Month."

(Committee on Health recommends passage, see House Journal, May 17, 2017, p. 475.)

### Sub. S. B. No. 7 - Senators Bacon, Manning

Cosponsors: Senators Obhof, Beagle, Gardner, Uecker, Eklund, LaRose, Skindell, Huffman, Hite, Brown, Schiavoni, Hoagland, Wilson, Balderson, Burke, Coley, Dolan, Hackett, Hottinger, Jordan, Kunze, Lehner, Oelslager, Peterson, Sykes, Tavares, Terhar, Thomas, Williams, Yuko Representatives Manning, Rezabek, Celebrezze, Butler, Conditt, Cupp, Kent, Rogers

To amend section 2919.27 of the Revised Code to provide the circumstances when service of a protection order or consent agreement upon a person is not necessary for the person to be convicted of the offense of violating a protection order.

(House committee on Criminal Justice recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, May 17, 2017, p. 472.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 7, 2017, p. 201.)

(Senate committee on Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs recommends amended bill for passage, see Senate

(Senate committee on Rules and Reference recommends re-referral, see Senate Journal, February 8, 2017, p. 120.)

#### S. B. No. 18 - Senator Thomas

Cosponsors: Senators Eklund, Gardner, Beagle, Yuko, Sykes, Brown, Obhof, Coley, Uecker, Bacon, Balderson, Burke, Dolan, Hackett, Hite, Hoagland, Hottinger, Huffman, Jordan, Kunze, LaRose, Lehner, Manning, Oelslager, Peterson, Schiavoni, Skindell, Tavares, Terhar, Williams, Wilson Representatives Hambley, Boyd, Carfagna

To enact section 5.291 of the Revised Code to designate September 12 as "Jesse Owens Day."

(House committee on State and Local Government recommends passage, see House Journal, April 25, 2017, p. 350.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 7, 2017, p. 201.)

(Senate committee on Government Oversight and Reform recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 2, 2017, p. 181.)

#### Sub. S. B. No. 25 - Senator Hottinger

Cosponsors: Senators Coley, Bacon, Balderson, Dolan, Eklund, Gardner, Hoagland, Skindell, Thomas, Yuko Representatives Manning, Rezabek, Conditt, Rogers

To amend sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, 1901.312, 1901.34, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code and to amend Section 729.10 of Am. Sub. H.B. 483 of the 130th General Assembly, as subsequently amended, to create the Perry County Municipal Court in New Lexington on January 1, 2018, to establish one full-time judgeship in that court, to provide for the nomination of the judge by petition only, to abolish the Perry County County Court on that date, to designate the Perry County Clerk of Courts as the clerk of the Perry County Municipal Court, to provide for the election for the Perry County Municipal Court of one full-time judge in 2017, to modify the provisions regarding the membership of the Criminal Justice Recodification Committee, and to declare an emergency.

(House committee on Criminal Justice recommends passage, see House Journal, March 22, 2017, p. 260.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, February 15, 2017, p. 148.)

(Senate committee on Judiciary recommends substitute bill for passage, see Senate Journal, February 14, 2017, p. 131.)

### S. B. No. 27 - Senator Beagle

Cosponsors: Senators Bacon, Brown, Eklund, Gardner, Manning, Obhof, Schiavoni, Thomas, Uecker, Williams, Yuko, Hoagland, Oelslager, Tavares, Burke, Kunze, Hackett, Balderson, Coley, Dolan, Hite, Hottinger, Huffman, Jordan, LaRose, Lehner, Peterson, Skindell, Sykes, Terhar, Wilson Representatives Hambley, Boyd, Carfagna To amend section 5,2281 of the Revised Code to designate the period beginning March 13-and ending April 15 as "Ohio Deaf History Month."

(House committee on State and Local Government recommends passage, see House Journal, April 25, 2017, p. 351.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 7, 2017, p. 203.)

(Senate committee on Health, Human Services and Medicaid recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 2, 2017, p. 181.)

### S. B. No. 57 - Senator Kunze

Cosponsors: Senators Coley, Brown, Beagle, Eklund, Schiavoni, Oelslager, Yuko, Hackett, Lehner, Tavares, Gardner, Bacon, Balderson, Burke, Dolan, Hite, Hoagland, Huffman, LaRose, Manning, Obhof, O'Brien, Peterson, Skindell, Sykes, Terhar, Thomas, Uecker, Williams, Wilson Representatives Huffman, Gavarone, Antonio, Barnes, Duffey, Ginter, Kent, LaTourette, Lepore-Hagan, West

To enact section 5.291 of the Revised Code to designate the seventeenth day of May as "Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma Awareness Day."

(House committee on Health recommends passage, see House Journal, May 1, 2017, p. 363.) (Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 15, 2017, p. 239.) (Senate committee on Health, Human Services and Medicaid recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 8, 2017, p. 209.)

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## NEW JERSEY, OHIO AND TEXAS LEAD THE WAY ON MOTORIST SAFETY LEGISLATION

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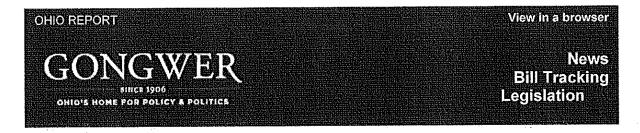
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# Volume #86, Report #99 -- Tuesday, May 23, 2017 Law Enforcement Opposes Ending Concealed-Carry Notification Requirement

Several law enforcement groups on Tuesday spoke out against a bill that would eliminate the requirement that concealed handgun licensees notify law enforcement of their status.

Dublin Police Chief Heinz von Eckartsberg said the requirement is important for several reasons, including because law enforcement may not know the status of passengers in a vehicle that has been stopped.

"The Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police is not interested in restricting CCW holder's rights. Instead, we would like to ensure the law provides a safe and practical process whereby the CCW holder can communicate to law enforcement that they are in possession of a firearm," he said during testimony on the bill (HB 142).

"This knowledge will not incriminate the CCW holder. It will, however, help to ensure that the law enforcement encounter is conducted safely and professionally."

The law requires prompt notification, and Rep. Derek Merrin (R-Maumee) questioned Mr. von Eckartsberg's definition of "promptly."

"There is no stopwatch on that. I'm not going to time the person," he said.

Rep. Merrin asked about potentially supporting an amendment that would lower the failure to notify penalty from a first-degree misdemeanor to a minor misdemeanor.

Mr. von Eckartsberg did not indicate if the OACP would support such a change, but said the priority is to ensure the notification requirement remains in law.

Rep. John Becker (R-Union Twp.) asked about the possibility of placing the onus on law enforcement officials to ask about concealed handguns rather than on the citizen.

Mr. von Eckartsberg said he is concerned that would be detrimental to community-police relations.

Mike Weinman, director of government affairs for the Fraternal Order of Police of Ohio, said the legislation threatens officer safety.

"The duty of a concealed carry permit holder to inform an officer who has stopped her was thoroughly negotiated, and unanimously agreed to, during numerous interested party meetings leading to the CCW license," he said. "The FOP is dumbfounded by the

attack on the notification by the CCW permit holder. We see the notification as a constitutionally sound, common sense measure to keep the permit holder and officer safe."

Mr. Weinman said the requirement takes on extra importance given the 187% increase in ambush killings of police officers last year.

He also took issue with the argument by proponents that the notification is not necessary because that information is contained in the LEADs database. He said there are situations in which officers do not have the time to run a license plate through the database.

Madison County Sheriff James Sabin, on behalf of the Buckeye State Sheriff's Association, said the notification requirement is a small burden and removing it would increase the stress of what should be calm interactions.

"An officer approaching a vehicle is always in a sense of heightened alert. Should an officer view a weapon or signs of a weapon, that alert is increased and they must assume a defensive mode, physically and mentally," he said.

"There is no time to ask if the person is authorized to carry concealed. Daily officers face potentially dangerous situations and are trained to react instinctively. Thus eliminating this requirement would place unnecessary tension on both the officer and occupants."

Jennifer Thorne, executive director for the Ohio Coalition of Gun Violence, said the bad actions of a few law enforcement officers should not impact what is a good policy.

"Last week in this committee, we heard testimony from proponents of this legislation that included a video of a traffic stop where a law enforcement officer acted improperly. However, as we learned at the conclusion of testimony, the law enforcement officers involved in that incident lost their jobs," she said.

"We therefore see no need to change the current policy that gives individuals with concealed handgun licenses the responsibility of informing law enforcement that they are carrying a concealed handgun when stopped."

Others, however, spoke in favor of the measure.

John Hohenwarter, a lobbyist for the National Rifle Association, said when pulled over, most individuals are not thinking about their duty to inform.

"Most are contemplating what particular driving action may have resulted in their detainment, whether it be for speeding or another type of moving violation," he said. "To add another element in the 'traffic stop' process for the driver is confusing at best and may result in an unintended criminal penalty and an additional fine."

Andrew Blubaugh also provided written testimony in favor of the measure. The Wadsworth policeman stressed hat he was speaking for himself and not the department.

"I have never understood the drastic regulations placed on law abiding citizens when it comes to concealed carry. The idea that our state regulates and puts into place laws that drastically restrict the law abiding citizen from carrying a concealed weapon seems like a contradiction to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment," he wrote. "The current concealed carry law should be streamlined. It should read along the lines of, if you are legally allowed to possess a firearm then you are allowed to carry it."

## Felonious Assault Bill Clears House Committee, Set For Floor Vote Wednesday

Legislation designed to impose stiffer sentences on individuals who, through the act of felonious assault, permanently disfigure or incapacitate a victim was watered down before clearing a House committee Tuesday.

The bill (HB 63) was originally written to create a sliding scale specification of 5-20 years that would allow a judge to enhance a felonious assault sentence if the victim suffers permanent disfigurement or substantial incapacity or if an accelerant is used during the offense.

However, under a substitute version of the bill adopted by the House Criminal Justice Committee, the specification will carry a mandatory prison term of six years. (Comp Doc)

Another change requires an accelerant to be used for the specification to apply.

It cleared the committee in a 13-0 vote.

Gary Daniels, chief lobbyist for the ACLU of Ohio, originally planned to testify against the measure but instead thanked the panel for making changes to the bill.

"This substitute bill is much better, in our opinion, than the as-introduced," he said. "It doesn't get us to proponents by any means, but you all in your position do not hear thanks from advocates often enough."

"We will be butting heads I'm sure on these issues soon enough. But on this one, to the extent this has changed because of concerns about mass incarceration, I very much appreciate it."

However, Mr. Daniels warned that a rumored Senate plan to slash up to \$90 million from the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction's budget will result in significantly less funding for community-based prison diversion programs.

"That is the exact opposite direction this state needs to go," he said.

In written testimony, Ohio Judicial Conference Executive Director Paul Pfeifer said sponsoring Rep. Jim Hughes (R-Columbus) worked closely with his group in crafting the sub bill, which "represents a narrowly-tailored approach that would apply only to the worst of the worst offenders of felonious assault."

Mr. Pfeifer also said the OJC believes that the legislation not have a significant impact on caseloads or public confidence in the judiciary.

In proponent testimony, Phyllis Carlson-Riehm, executive director of the ACTION OHIO Coalition for Battered Women, said "members of the domestic violence community will welcome its eventual passage and enactment into Ohio law."

The bill, which has been dubbed "Judy's Law," is named after Judy Malinowski, whose ex-boyfriend doused her with gasoline and set her on fire. Ms. Malinowski has been through more than 50 surgeries and has burns that cover 98% of her body.

"Judy didn't deserve what happened to her and didn't cause it," Ms. Carlson-Riehm said. "Even with the enactment of Judy's Bill, her abuser will never experience what she has been enduring, but at least Ohio law will provide a more appropriate criminal penalty option for abusers like Michael W. Slager."

The bill is scheduled for a floor vote Wednesday.

## Sponsors: Cost Recovery Bill Not Intended To Profit OVEC-Owning Utilities, Changes Coming

New legislation offered by two House Republicans will allow Ohio's investor-owned utilities to recoup the money they spend operating their share of the Ohio Valley Electric Corporation.

But the bill (HB 239) is not intended to profit those companies, sponsors said during the bill's first hearing Tuesday before the House Public Utilities Committee. (Analysis)

Although the language currently would permit the recovery of "all costs," sponsors Rep. Rick Carfagna (R-Westerville) and Rep. Ryan Smith (R-Bidwell) said that is an error and they will soon amend the bill to ensure only "prudently-incurred costs" are covered.

The bill came together quickly with the backing of AEP, FirstEnergy, Dayton Power & Light and Duke Energy, Rep. Carfagna said in an interview. It was introduced Tuesday morning, referred to the committee, and had its first hearing hours later.

"So what we're talking about doing is creating some sort of framework mechanism for all four utilities to get recovery for only their actual - defined as 'prudently incurred' - costs," he said. "There's no profit margin built into this."

The sponsors and committee Chair Rep. Bill Seitz (R-Cincinnati) said the legislation would support companies that honored the federal government's call in 1952 to establish an entity able to power the Piketon uranium enrichment facility.

But the Piketon plant has since closed, sponsors said, and the other 13 owners of OVEC are based in regulated states, putting Ohio-based owners at a distinct disadvantage.

All four companies say they are losing money because of their involvement with OVEC. And they are prevented from exiting their contract, Rep. Carfagna said, because doing so would require a rare unanimous vote among all 17 owners.

AEP is currently receiving temporary cost recovery under the purview of the PUCO, and lawmakers expect the other three companies may not be far behind in attempting to do the same.

"They're all going to file for it one way or the other at the PUCO level," Rep. Carfagna said. "But because you've had all this turnover at the PUCO, you could wind up with four different arrangements where some of them are maybe getting better deals than others.

Under the measure, the Public Utilities Commission would establish the threshold for cost recovery for each company. Asked by Rep. Margaret Conditt (R-Liberty Twp.) how much the recovery might be, sponsors said they will wait for the Legislative Service Commission's fiscal analysis to answer that question.

Should that recovery amount be set too high, excess dollars would be sent back to customers in the form of credits, Rep. Carfagna said.

"It's the intention of the legislation to put that guardrail in there so the utilities are not profiting off this," Rep. Carfagna said. "If we have to amend it to make it crystal clear, we will."

It was Rep. Kent Smith (D-Euclid) who publicly flagged that the bill's language contradicts sponsors' intent. Several instances, he pointed out, state the companies could recover "all costs."

Sponsors said they noticed that issue shortly after the bill was introduced and that a forthcoming amendment will make a correction.

The bill permits any national security generation resource to be eligible for cost recovery. Those resources are defined in the bill as any facility "owned directly or indirectly by a corporation that was formed prior to 1960 by investor-owned utilities for the original purpose of providing power to the federal government for use in the nation's defense or in furtherance of national interests, including the Ohio valley electric corporation."

The measure would also amend language spelling out Ohio's energy policy to include ensuring "the continuing economic viability of historical investments made by electric

distribution utilities in national security generation resources and support continued investment to preserve the ongoing benefits associated with such resources."

Rep. Kent Smith questioned how that last paragraph meshes with two other goals spelled out in that section: that Ohio must recognize the continuing emergence of competitive electricity markets and ensure effective competition in retail electric service by avoiding anticompetitive subsidies flowing from a noncompetitive retail service to a competitive service.

"All I can say," Rep. Carfagna replied, "is I think OVEC, for a lack of a better term, is an anomaly, a one-off, a very unique type of situation. We don't see how it's going to have any impact on wholesale markets whatsoever."

### DRC Chief Defends Community Diversion Program

Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Director Gary Mohr on Tuesday pushed back on the latest round of criticism against a prisoner diversion program proposed for the pending biennial budget measure.

Addressing members of the Senate Finance Subcommittee on General Government & Agency Review, Mr. Mohr told senators the program presents an opportunity to reduce the prison population while positively impacting lives.

Currently, eight counties are participating in the Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison program, which diverts low-level, nonviolent offenders from prison and into community treatment. The administration is eying the pending funding measure (HB 49 ) as a vehicle for further expansion.



Gary Mohr

"All eight counties want to continue it and, by the way, we have received written communications from many counties that want to participate in this," Mr. Mohr said in testimony. "The response of the pilot counties underscores the idea that local communities are better situated to identify the needs of their citizens who are struggling with addiction. These resources allow for the counties to address these needs while maintaining public safety."

The agency's budget is built around the assumption that 50 counties will participate in Fiscal Year 2018 at a cost of about \$19 million and that all 88 counties will sign on the following year at a cost of about \$39 million. The House-passed budget would maintain overall DRC funding as proposed in the executive budget - \$1.826 billion (+3.36%) in FY 2018 and \$1.857 billion (+1.73%) in FY 2019.

The program would divert about 3,400 offenders. But some judges, prosecutors and local officials in past hearings have voiced concerns, saying it would reduce local discretion and hamper efforts to curb the opioid epidemic. (See Gongwer Ohio Report, May 18, 2017)

Judge Jerry McBride of the Clermont County Common Pleas Court reiterated those concerns in his own testimony before the panel. Mr. McBride, speaking on behalf of the Ohio Judicial Conference, said the House-passed budget is a "moderate improvement."

"However, the proposal presents problems of equal protection and undue complexity,"
Mr. McBride said.

The House tweaked the proposal, adding a waiver provision and requirements for memoranda of understanding, among other provisions. But Judge McBride argued the proposal could create situations in which two offenders with similar criminal histories receive different outcomes. Secondly, he said, it limits a judge's ability to motivate offenders.

"Judges can use prison as an incentive for community-based correctional facility," Mr. McBride said. "Taking prison off the table's going to make it very difficult."

Mr. Mohr said the program won't reduce local authority, telling Sen. Sean O'Brien (D-Hubbard) that each participating community would craft its own memorandum of agreement between parties.

"I believe in local government, local decisions," Mr. Mohr said. "Everyone we provide money to will have to have a memorandum of understanding that is locally generated and locally determined."

Mr. McBride said he believes DRC is pushing the program because it hasn't realized the population reduction it had predicted. But he said the population has decreased in recent years.

"Overall, the prison population has gone down and has gone down largely because of changes that were made in 2012," Mr. McBride said. "This is a solution without a problem, I think to a large extent."

## Debate Over College Credit Plus Budget Proposals Continues; Chairman Says Maintaining Program Access Is Priority

K-12 and higher education representatives on Tuesday continued to stake out opposite sides on College Credit Plus changes in the biennial budget.

Witnesses from both camps told the Senate Finance Subcommittee on Higher Education that if the upper chamber's budget doesn't come down in their favor, the program won't be economically feasible.

The executive budget (HB 49a) included provisions to prohibit districts from negotiating lower tuition rates and require institutions to provide CCP student textbooks at a cost of \$10 per credit hour.

The House version would have institutions and districts split the cost of textbooks and continue to allow districts to negotiate tuition rates.

Chairman Sen. Randy Gardner (R-Bowling Green) said his focus when weighing how to move forward will be on maintaining student access to the program and a variety of course offerings currently available.

"This is one of those issues, though, that you cannot satisfy all of the interested parties," he said in an interview. "When it comes to College Credit Plus, there are some key differences of opinion."

Districts that offer CCP on their high school campuses have said they'd reduce the number of courses available if they couldn't negotiate lower tuition prices or continue to pay high costs associated with textbooks.

Institutions have made the same claims on their end, arguing that lower tuition costs and having to purchase textbooks would result in fewer courses offered and a possible reduction in quality. Private colleges and universities, meanwhile, have suggested they would shut down their CCP programs.

"I do believe that the concerns raised...by all parties are worthy of consideration," Sen. Gardner said. "I think the high schools make a valid point about the cost of textbooks that they share that full burden and I think universities, especially the independent universities, make valid points about the costs they incur when they're not even required to participate in the program."

"I don't want to lose them as partners in the College Credit Plus program in Ohio," he added of private institutions.

Darin Fields, vice president for academic affairs at the University of Findlay, said his institution is the only one in the state offering CCP courses with accreditation from the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships.

Ohio Dominican University was also accredited and among the first in the state to adopt dual enrollment, but eliminated its program as a result of financial constraints related to the switch to the new program, he said.

If the state doesn't enact an as-proposed provision to require districts to pay no less than the \$40 per-credit-hour floor for courses, University of Findlay will be the next to shut down CCP, Mr. Fields said.

"Without this small minimum, it is almost impossible for independent colleges to survive in this program," he said.

Otterbein University President Kathy Krendl made the same argument.

"By removing the minimum price, the language has caused a race to the bottom," she said. "Sadly, it appears partnering with high schools is no longer about fit for a student or providing students with a variety of options, but it is about what option is the cheapest."

"Now, I understand the high school's frustration, but to assume our colleges should just give away college credit will only lead to one path: government pushing out the private sector," she added.

However, there are already some institutions that have been happy to partner with districts to provide courses at a lower cost, said Amy Schakat, president of the Ohio Association of City-Career Technical Schools.

For example, more than 20 school districts in Stark County and surrounding counties have an agreement with Stark State College that allows districts to pay \$28 per credit hour for courses taught at their own schools by their own staff, she said.

"If the ability to negotiate agreements below the floor is taken away, thus increasing the cost for CCP courses significantly, there will certainly not be any additions to career technical CCP options, and there may even be cuts to non-academic-pathway CCP offerings on campuses," Ms. Schakat said.

Ms. Krendl and Mr. Fields also criticized provisions on textbooks as well as a provision that would require institutions to cover the cost of ACT and SAT exams for students who intend to participate in CCP.

The House budget clarifies that the institutions must only pay for one test per student, as opposed to a Department of Higher Education rule that would allow students to request institutions to cover test costs numerous times.

When compounded, the changes to CCP would be too much for most private institutions, which, unlike those in the public sector, aren't required to offer the program and aren't eligible for State Share of Instruction dollars for students taking three or more credit hours, Ms. Krendl said.

"I cannot put the viability of our institution on the line for College Credit Plus," she said.

In an attempt to alleviate some additional concerns about the relatively new program, the Ohio School Boards Association, Ohio Association of School Business Officials, and Buckeye Association of School Administrators offered a handful of suggestions.

Where finances are concerned, the groups suggested the legislature give schools the authority to pass tuition and textbooks costs along to parents on a sliding scale.

They also supported weighing grades for college level courses the same as high school courses only when they're comparable, giving districts more control over who teaches CCP courses, and better communication between institutions and districts.

The subcommittee on Tuesday also heard testimony on budget provisions regarding the Ohio College Opportunity Grant, indigent defense, Ohio Citizens for the Arts, and career college student disclosure requirements.

Subscribers Note: Complete testimony is available on the committee's website under May 23.

### Mandatory Reporting Bill Draws Questions

A bill that would make law enforcement officers mandatory reporters of child abuse or neglect raised several questions from a member of a House panel Tuesday.

While a number of people provided testimony to the House Criminal Justice Committee in favor of the bill (HB 137), Rep. Bill Seitz (R-Cincinnati) raised concerns about its potential implications.

Kari Bloom of the Office of the Ohio Public Defender called the measure "a practical improvement to Ohio's mandatory reporting law."

"Officers are charged with protecting the public and keeping Ohioans safe, especially the smallest among us. The essence of their jobs is identifying and reporting crime; certainly child abuse is something they can identify," she said. "The wide range of latitude for interaction with citizens coupled with community presence makes law enforcement officers a natural fit on the list of mandatory reporters."

But Rep. Seitz raised concerns about the requirement that law enforcement officials report "suspected" abuse or neglect.

"I've always been suspicious of these laws, because I don't know what 'suspected' is," he said.

Rep. Seitz said the legislation could potentially open law enforcement officers up to the possibility of facing civil suits for failing to report suspected child abuse or neglect. He asked the Legislative Service Commission to provide figure on lawsuits filed against mandatory reporters.

"My guess is, darn few," he said, before adding, "We could be opening the door to a longer list than what we have presently."

While Ms. Bloom said she is not familiar with any such cases, she said law enforcement officials act on hunches all the time.

"We trust them because they are professionals and I trust them to identify child abuse," she said.

John Gilchrist, who testified on behalf of the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police, said most police agencies and officers who suspect child abuse do report that information even if they are not statutorily required to do so.

However, he said the OACP is not opposed to codifying the requirement.

"Officers who suspect abuse and neglect should be required to report since they are required to forward to children services reports of child abuse and neglect they have received from those professionally mandated to make a report," he said.

Bob Fitrakis said Ohio is the only state that does not require law enforcement officials to report child abuse or neglect.

"Oddly, Ohio was one of the first states in the nation to enact a mandatory reporting law in 1963. But, the original law focused on health care providers. Consequently, numerous professionals have been added to this list, including my own, as an attorney," he said.

Kaneeka Dalton Paul also provided written testimony in favor of the measure.

### Lawmaker Looks To Crack Down On 'Abuse' Of Traffic Cameras

As the state's high court readies to hear a case on the constitutionality of a law restricting the use of traffic cameras, at least one lawmaker is seeking to further curtail their usage.

Rep. Tom Patton (R-Strongsville) on Tuesday provided the House State & Local Government Committee with testimony on four bills he sponsored that are designed to impede the ability of communities to use photo enforcement as a steady stream of revenue.

One measure (HB 207) would prohibit a municipality or a township that does not operate either a fire department or emergency medical services from using traffic law photo-monitoring devices.



Rep. Patton

Another bill (HB 208a) would bar jurisdictions with populations of 200 or fewer from using photo enforcement devices.

Under another Rep. Patton proposal (HB 209a), jurisdictions that do utilize photo enforcement would be barred from issuing a total number of traffic tickets through the devices that is more than two times the population of the city, village or township.

The final piece of legislation (HB 210) prohibits a local authority from deriving more than 30% of its total annual revenue from the issuance of tickets based on evidence recorded by photo monitoring devices.

The need for the legislation arose because of the "abuse" in traffic camera ticket issuance by the Village of Linndale, which is located just outside Cleveland, Rep. Patton said.

"Linndale is notorious for operating traffic cameras, and issuing a large amount of tickets," he said. "The misuse of these cameras was not clear to me until we took a closer look at the numbers."

Those numbers, Rep. Patton said, show that the village generated nearly 80% of its total revenue in 2013 via traffic camera tickets.

"This is clearly an unjust use and abuse in municipal local authority," he said.

But Rep. Patton said the legislation is not just about policing for profit, it's also about public safety.

The presence of a police officer on near the roadway can lead drivers to slow down or operate their vehicles more safely.

"In a village like Linndale, the offender would simply receive a ticket in the mail a month or two later, and the offender's illegal behavior would not be apprehended," he said.

Rep. Patton also said that traffic stops can help law enforcement to discover drugs, unregistered weapons, stolen vehicles and suspended licenses.

"With the over-employment of traffic cameras, these traffic stops simply do not occur," he said.

"A local authority who receives nearly 80% of their annual cash receipts from the issuance of said tickets is simply gaming the system and this issue must be addressed," he added.

Rep. Steve Hambley (R-Brunswick) asked how HB207 would impact jurisdictions with joint fire or EMS districts.

Rep. Patton said those jurisdictions would not be impacted by the legislation.

Asked by Rep. Rick Perales (R-Beavercreek) about how he arrived at the population threshold in HB208, Rep. Patton said it was designed to target the village. However, he said he would be open to an amendment to increase the figure.

Rep. Perales also questioned the sponsor's contention that the cameras do not improve public safety.

Rep. Patton said traffic cameras have decreased the number of T-bone crashes at intersections, but they have also led to an increase in rear-end collisions.

Chairman Rep. Marlene Anielski (R-Walton Hills) asked about the impact HB209 could have on the state's islands, whose populations swell as the months get warm.

Rep. Patton said those jurisdictions would still be able to issue as many tickets as they want the old fashioned way.

In the analysis of each bill, the Legislative Service Commission warns that they could run afoul of the state's home rule authority.

### Bill Calls For Study Group Input Before Legalizing Fireworks

Lawmakers are attempting to resurrect legislation that would legalize the use of certain fireworks and leave further regulations up to local governments.

Rep. Bill Seitz (R-Cincinnati) and Rep. Martin Sweeney (D-Cleveland) are sponsoring a measure (HB 226) that would remove the moratorium on fireworks licenses in 2020 and create a study group to recommend improvements to fireworks-related laws.

If the legislature doesn't act on the study group's recommendations before July 2019, the bill states that provisions from a former fireworks measure (SB 386, 130th General Assembly) will automatically become law.

"By having that as backstop, that tends to ensure we will pay careful attention to the study committee's recommendations," Rep. Seitz told the House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee during the bill's first hearing on Tuesday.

The previous bill, which abruptly fizzled out in lame duck despite expedited consideration, sought to create a number of fireworks laws, such as imposing fees on retail sales. The funds would be used for firefighter training programs. (See Gongwer Ohio Report, December 17, 2014)

The 2014 measure also instructed the state fire marshal to prepare a pamphlet that explains how to use consumer grade fireworks safely and requires licensed manufacturers or wholesalers to have safety glasses available for free or at a nominal charge.

Primarily, the legislation would authorize individuals to possesses or discharge consumer-grade fireworks - so long as they are permitted to do so by property owners and are not in the possession or under the influence of controlled substances.

Such bills have come before the General Assembly for about two decades and Rep. Seitz said it's beyond time to do away with what he calls a "liar's form" that those who purchase fireworks must sign, promising they'll transport the products outside of the state within 48 hours.

Rep. Sweeney reiterated the point, saying "the current law makes no sense."

"What we have right now is lawlessness," he said. "We pretend that when someone signs that waiver that they're not taking the fireworks the next city over and setting them off. But come the Fourth of July and every night in the surrounding weeks before and after, we all hear that familiar sound."

The surrounding states of Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky permit residents ages 18 and older to purchase and possess fireworks, Rep. Sweeney said. Their laws can be used as a model for the study group that will be researching how best to implement and enforce fireworks regulations.

Rep. Keith Faber (R-Celina) asked whether other states that have lifted fireworks restrictions have seen an uptick in related injuries.

Opponents to similar bills in the past have raised concerns that legalization would result in more fireworks in the market and therefore more opportunities for Ohioans to be injured by them.

Concerns have also been raised about an increase in fires and first responder calls tied to firework use.

Rep. Seitz said firework quality and safety have improved over the years, resulting in a decrease in the number of related injuries.

"One of the ironies, I think, is one of the most unsafe fireworks are sparklers and they're perfectly legal," he said.

A goal of the study committee will be to consider the safety regulations that should be in place for firework manufacturers and sellers, Rep. Seitz added. The group will include legislators, industry leaders, a police chief, fire chief and fire marshal as well as representatives from the Ohio Pyrotechnic Arts Guild.

### Former Medicaid Directors Voice Concerns Over Drug Price Issue

Three former Ohio Medicaid directors spoke Tuesday against a proposed initiated statute aimed at lowering the prices the state pays for prescription drugs.

The Ohio Drug Price Relief Act, they said, is likely unworkable for most, if not all, state agencies that pay for prescriptions, and if it did work, the burden would be shifted to pharmacies and other downstream providers, hindering access.

Supporters of the proposal said pharmaceutical companies are focused on protecting their profits, and that the threat of cost-shifting is overstated.

The proposal, set for the November ballot, would limit the state to paying at most the lowest price paid by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Former Medicaid Director John McCarthy said because the VA distributes most of its prescriptions by mail, but the Department of Medicaid does not, the price reduction would also include reductions in fees paid to pharmacies.

"If the Medicaid director can only pay what the VA price is, the person who's going to feel the brunt is the pharmacy," he said on a conference call hosted by Ohioans Against the Deceptive Rx Ballot Issue, which opposes the measure. "I as the Medicaid director wouldn't be kicking pharmacies out. Pharmacies would be taking themselves out because they would be getting paid less than the cost of the drug."

Maureen Corcoran, who served as Medicaid director under Gov. Ted Strickland, said the proposal does not consider the rebates that the Medicaid program already receives for drugs, making the actual effect on prices minimal but jeopardizing access.

"I find it grossly misleading. It ignores the drug purchasing strategies that are currently resulting in better prices with many of our state programs," she said. "It ignores access concerns and services that people rely upon to take their medication safely."

Barbara Edwards, who served as Medicaid director under Gov. Bob Taft and Gov. George Voinovich, said the threshold of the VA's lowest price for a drug is a moving target.

"The VA's price on a daily basis can change," she said.

She said the proposal would result in cost shifting to private sector plans, and that it could cause pharmaceutical companies to stop offering discounts to the VA, driving up those costs.

"I think the reality is you would just be cost-shifting to the private sector in the state," she said.

Dennis Willard, a spokesman for Ohio Taxpayers for Lower Drug Prices, the campaign backing the issue, said drug companies are focused on their bottom lines.

"Voters in Ohio, we believe, will say yes to lower drug prices, yes to saving taxpayers, all Ohioans, \$400 million a year," he said in an interview. "I think the drug companies are practicing a form of extortion here. They're saying if you vote yes for this plan, we're going to raise our prices on others. I think that's a threat. We don't believe that will happen. We believe this will stop them from charging excessive, exorbitant prices for their drugs.

Dale Butland, spokesman for Ohioans Against the Deceptive Rx Ballot Issue, said the goal of the proposal is noble, but that it won't achieve its aim.

"The problem is that this ballot initiative isn't going to bring it about, and it is: what we are voting on?" he said. "This ballot initiative will not do the job. In fact, it's going to make things worse."

Mr. Butland acknowledged the opposition campaign will be backed largely by the pharmaceutical industry, as was a very expensive campaign to defeat a similar proposal in California last year. He said the proposal is a bad idea, and someone needs to educate the public about it.

"If the pharmaceutical industry was not willing to cover these costs, who would?" he said.

The coalition against the issue announced Tuesday that it includes medical provider associations, health advocacy groups, veterans groups and business groups.

The campaign in favor, meanwhile, announced its team last week, which includes prominent political figures from both sides of the aisle. (See Gongwer Ohio Report, May 16, 2017)

Franklin County Prosecutor Calls For Passage Of Death Certificate Bill

Legislation that would require a coroner to seek judicial approval before changing a death certificate could have potentially brought at least one family justice, members of a House panel were told Tuesday.

Franklin County Prosecutor Ron O'Brien told members of the House State & Local Government Committee that the bill (HB 146) could have allowed him to proceed with an aggravated vehicular homicide case against Timothy Castle, who killed Debra Meadows in a drunken driving crash.

However, Mr. O'Brien said he had to dismiss the case after the woman's death certificate was changed.

"That case had to be dismissed where the cause of death was changed from death due to two contributing causes - blunt force trauma and cancer - to a single cause of death due to natural causes," he told members of the House State & Local Government Committee.

Mr. O'Brien said in 2016 a death that had been classified as natural was changed to a homicide. In another case, after a man was convicted of aggravated murder, the coroner changed the cause of death from homicide to undetermined, leading to a motion for a new trial that is currently pending.

Dawn Call, the daughter-in-law of Ms. Meadows, said the legislation will "try and right a wrong that has fallen upon my family."

Ms. Call said Mr. Castle had a blood-alcohol level of well over twice the legal limit during the night of the crash. However, because of a change on the death certificate, he was only charged with a misdemeanor.

"There are no checks and balances on the coroner's office; and because of that, the man who killed my fianc mother is free with only a misdemeanor on his record," she said. "Franklin County Coroner Dr. Anahi Ortiz has not even had the courtesy to speak with our family or give us any kind of explanation as to why she changed Debbie's death certificate, when she was not even the coroner when Debbie died. By requiring coroners to go before a judge before changing a death certificate, it will allow for more checks and balances in our coroner's offices."

Robert Detamore, the father of the victim, also urged passage of the legislation.

"The drunk driver robbed our family's last months with her, but he can no longer be charged with vehicular homicide," he said.

### Attorney General's Opinions

No. 2017-014. Requested by Geauga County Prosecuting Attorney James R. Flaiz. SYLLABUS:

1. A county commissioner who, pursuant to R.C. 343.01(B), is a member of the board of directors of a joint solid waste management district may serve simultaneously as interim director of the joint solid waste management district, provided that the Hatch Act, 5 U.S.C.A. 1501-1508 (West

Group 1998), does not prohibit the simultaneous holding of the positions and the Ohio Ethics Commission does not conclude that holding the positions simultaneously constitutes a violation of R.C. Chapter 102, R.C. 2921.42, or R.C. 2921.43.

2. Whether a county commissioner who, pursuant to R.C. 343.01(B), is a member of the board of directors of a joint solid waste management district, and serves simultaneously as interim director of the joint solid waste management district, may receive compensation for serving as interim director of the district requires an interpretation of the ethics and conflict of interest provisions of R.C. Chapter 102, R.C. 2921.42, and R.C. 2921.43. The Attorney General refrains from advising upon the applicability of R.C. Chapter 102, R.C. 2921.42, and R.C. 2921.43 as the General Assembly has granted authority to render advisory opinions regarding the application of those statutes to the Ohio Ethics Commission.

No. 2017-015. Requested by Trumbull County Prosecuting Attorney Dennis Watkins. SYLLABUS:

- 1. R.C. 6103.02(A) does not authorize a board of county commissioners to operate a waterworks on behalf of a village that is located outside any sewer district established by the board of county commissioners pursuant to the provisions in R.C. Chapter 6117.
- 2. Neither R.C. 5502.29 nor R.C. 5502.41 authorizes a board of county commissioners to operate a waterworks on behalf of a village when the village's board of trustees of public affairs has not hired employees to operate the village's water treatment facility.
- 3. R.C. 307.15 does not authorize a board of county commissioners to enter into an agreement with the legislative authority of a village whereby the board of county commissioners is authorized by the village legislative authority to manage and operate the village's waterworks.

### Supplemental Event Planner

Wednesday, May 24

Communications Workers of America, lawmakers news conference on call center legislation, Press Briefing Rm., Statehouse, Columbus, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, May 31

Coalition for Public Safety, The Buckeye Institute and the Ohio Justice & Policy Center panel discussion on criminal justice issues, Statehouse Atrium, Columbus, 6 p.m.

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## House Activity for Tuesday, May 23, 2017

### HB 234

REPRODUCTIVE CARE (<u>Howse, S., Lepore-Hagan, M.</u>) To criminalize impeding access to reproductive health care and to create a cause of action for harassment or intimidation of one or more employees of a health care facility. Am. 2307.48, 2307.481, 2307.482, and 2919.10

### HB 235

**EDUCATION PLAN** (<u>Gavarone, T.</u>) Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act. Am. 3302.09

### HB 236

ELEVATOR LAW (<u>Patton, T., Cupp, R.</u>) To enact the Model Elevator Law. Am. 121.084, 3781.19, and 4121.13 and to enact new sections 4105.01, 4105.02, 4105.03, 4105.04, 4105.05, 4105.06, 4105.07, 4105.08, 4105.09, 4105.10, 4105.11, 4105.12, 4105.13, 4105.14, 4105.15, and 4105.99 and sections 4105.051 and 4105.061, and to repeal sections 4105.01, 4105.01, 4105.02, 4105.03, 4105.04, 4105.05, 4105.06, 4105.07, 4105.08, 4105.09, 4105.10, 4105.11, 4105.12, 4105.13, 4105.14, 4105.15, 4105.16, 4105.17, 4105.19, 4105.191, 4105.20, 4105.21, and 4105.99

### HB 237

ELECTIONS (Pelanda, D.) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation. Am. 133.01, 133.06, 133.18, 513.13, 718.01, 718.04, 718.09, 718.10, 731.01, 733.261, 733.262, 3311.21, 3318.01, 3318.06, 3318.061, 3318.063, 3318.07, 3318.361, 3354.02, 3355.02, 3357.02, 3501.05, 3501.11, 3505.01, 3505.071, 3513.05, 5705.01, 5705.03, 5705.19, 5705.191, 5705.195, 5705.199, 5705.211, 5705.212, 5705.213, 5705.217, 5705.218, 5705.219, 5705.2111, 5705.2112, 5705.23, 5705.25, 5705.251, 5705.252, 5705.55, and 5705.72 and to enact section 3501.054

VETERANS WAIVER (Retherford, W., Brenner, A.) To establish the Veterans Fee Waiver Program. Am. 111.16, 111.17, 1703.31, 1729.12,

1746.06, 1782.63, 2305.10, and 4743.04 and to enact sections 5903.21, 5903.22, 5903.23, 5903.24, and 5903.25

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distribution utilities to recover costs for a national security generation resource. Am. 4928.01, 4928.02, 4928.141, 4928.142, and 4928.143

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### CALENDAR FOR COMING SESSION

- SALES TAX HOLIDAY (<u>Bacon, K.</u>) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes.
- RECORDS EXEMPTION (Hambley, S., Rezabek, J.) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident.
- E-CHECK (Young, R.) To respectfully urge Congress and President Donald Trump to amend the Federal Clean Air Act to eliminate the requirement to implement the E-Check Program and direct the Administrator of USEPA to begin new rule-making procedures under the Administrative Procedures Act to repeal and replace the 2015 National Ambient Air Quality Standards; to respectfully urge Congress and President Donald Trump to pass legislation to achieve improvements in air quality more efficiently while allowing companies to innovate and help the economy grow; to urge the Administrator of USEPA to alleviate burdensome requirements of the E-Check Program and the Clean Air Act if Congress and the President fail to act; and to encourage OEPA to explore alternatives to E-Check in Ohio.

### REFERRED

### **Civil Justice:**

HB 223 STRUCTURED SETTLEMENTS (<u>Dever, J.</u>) Relative to transfers of structured settlement payment rights.

### **Criminal Justice:**

SB 4 🗷

HUMAN TRAFFICKING (Kunze, S., Oelslager, S.) To allow a person who is found not guilty of an offense or who is the defendant named in a dismissed criminal charge to apply for a court order to expunge the person's official records in the case if the charge or not guilty finding was the result of the applicant having been a human trafficking victim, to allow a person convicted of certain prostitution-related offenses to apply for the expungement of the conviction record of any offense, other than a specified disqualifying offense, the person's participation in which was a result of having been a human trafficking victim, and to allow intervention in lieu of conviction for persons charged with committing an offense while a victim of compelling prostitution.

### **Economic Development, Commerce & Labor:**

HB 230

**FLAG DISPLAY** (Gonzales, A., Ginter, T.) To prohibit manufactured home park operators, condominium associations, neighborhood associations, and landlords from restricting the display of the thin blue line flag.

### **Education & Career Readiness:**

SB 8

SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY & SAFETY (Gardner, R., Terhar, L.) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security.

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HB 220 COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Leland, D.) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools.

SCHOOL FOODS (<u>Ingram, C.</u>) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging.

#### **Energy & Natural Resources:**

HB 225

OIL GAS WELLS (<u>Thompson</u>, <u>A</u>.) To allow a landowner to report an idle and orphaned well or abandoned well, to require the Chief of the Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management to inspect and classify such a well, to require the Chief to begin plugging a well classified as distressed-high priority within a specified time period, and to authorize an income tax deduction for reimbursements paid by the state to a landowner for costs incurred to plug an idle or orphaned well.

#### Federalism & Interstate Relations:

HB 228

GUN LAWS (<u>Johnson, T.</u>, <u>LaTourette, S.</u>) To assign to the prosecution the burden of disproving a self-defense or related claim, to expand the locations at which a person has no duty to retreat before using force under both civil and criminal law, and to modify the Concealed Handgun Licensing Law regarding a licensee's duty to keep the licensee's hands in plain sight, the penalties for illegally carrying a concealed firearm or improperly handling firearms in a motor vehicle, and the posting of warning signs regarding the possession of weapons on specified premises.

HB 233

FIREARMS (Becker, J.) To enact the "Decriminalization Effort For Ending Notorious Deaths (DEFEND)" to provide an opportunity for a concealed handgun licensee or qualified military member to avoid guilt for carrying a concealed handgun into a prohibited place if the person leaves upon request, and to penalize as disorderly conduct failing to leave upon request or returning with a firearm.

#### Finance:

HB 221

**WATER SEWER PROJECTS** (<u>Holmes, G.</u>) To expressly include, as eligible projects under the State Capital Improvements Program administered by the Ohio Public Works Commission, water and sewer laterals located on private property.

Government Accountability & Oversight:		
<u>HB 218</u> <b></b> ■	PARK DISTRICTS (Seitz, B.) To expand a probate court's powers and duties with regard to a park district.	
<u>HB 222</u> ≅	VOTER ID ( <u>Greenspan, D.</u> ) To specify that a concealed handgun license qualifies as photo identification for voting purposes.	
Health:		
<u>HB 231</u> <u>■</u>	CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ( <u>Ginter, T., Sprague, R.</u> ) To require pharmacists to offer to dispense controlled substances in lockable or tamper-evident containers.	
Higher Ed	lucation & Workforce Development:	
<u>HB 217</u> ᠍	COLLEGE ADMISSIONS (Brenner, A.) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission.	
State & Lo	ocal Government:	
HB 229 ■	DAY DESIGNATION (Romanchuk, M., Wiggam, S.) To designate February 3 as "Charles Follis Day."	
Transport	ation & Public Safety:	
HB 219	SPEED LIMITS (Boccieri, J.) To specify that a speed limit becomes	

effective at a reasonable distance from the appropriate sign giving notice of

the speed limit.

LICENSE PLATE (<u>LaTourette</u>, S.) To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate.

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#### Ways & Means:

HB 232

TAX DEDUCTION (Rogers, J., Rezabek, J.) To authorize, for six years, a personal income tax deduction for attorneys and pass-through entity law firms based on the number of hours the attorney performed pro bono legal work for indigent clients through a legal aid society and the expenses associated with that work.

#### COMMITTEE HEARINGS

Ways & Means

HB 177

**GYM MEMBERSHIPS** (West, T., Young, R.) To exempt memberships to gyms or other recreational facilities operated by charitable organizations from sales and use taxation. (CONTINUED; 1st Hearing-Sponsor)

Sponsor Rep. Thomas West (D-Canton) said the tax exemption would improve communities by expanding access to health and recreational programs.

"By subsidizing membership costs for the most economically vulnerable Ohioans, organizations like the YMCA and JCC make our state healthier," he said.

Co-sponsor Rep. Ron Young (R-Leroy) claimed the cost of the bill is outweighed by the benefits to the community.

"This tax cut amounts to less than \$10 million, which is a small sum when compared to the over \$23 million in financial assistance programs that the YMCA alone provides to low-income. Ohioans who can't afford access to the YMCA and the many other programs and services that they provide," he said.

<u>Rep. Michael Henne</u> (R-Clayton) compared non-profit gyms, like the YMCA, to for-profit gyms, and wondered if the tax exemption would give an unfair competitive advantage to non-profit gyms.

Rep. West said non-profit gyms are not in competition with for-profit gyms because they target different clients and work toward different purposes. Membership fees at a for-profit gym are spent on more weights, he said, while fees at a community center can be spent on more programs that improve the community.

HB 216

AUTO SALES CREDIT (<u>Hambley, S.</u>, <u>Brinkman, T.</u>) To authorize a sales and use tax trade-in credit for purchases of used motor vehicles from a licensed dealer. (**CONTINUED**; 1st Hearing-Sponsor)

Sponsor Rep. Tom Brinkman (R-Cincinnati) said the bill was an issue of fairness for consumers, since modern used cars are significantly newer on average than they have been in the past.

"With average vehicle sales being \$34,077 for new vehicles and \$19,189 for used vehicles, the difference is stark and noticeable. Even with a trade-in credit, affording a \$34,000 vehicle may be tough for some Ohioans," Rep. Brinkman said. "Extending this credit to vehicles only 4 years older on average than their new counterparts extends the benefit to citizens from every socioeconomic class."

His co-sponsor Rep. Steve Hambley (R-Brunswick) emphasized the economic advantages of providing the tax credit, which he said would benefit both consumers and the state. "Obviously, if the change in tax policy results in a greater propensity for consumers to buy used vehicles more frequently over time - given a tax incentive to trade in and buy used - there would be a commensurate gain in title and registration fees for the state and counties on an annual basis." he said.

Rep. Henne wondered if the existence of a tax credit would incentivize dealers to raise prices. Rep. Brinkman acknowledged the legitimacy of this issue, comparing it to the inflation of college tuition resulting from increased financial aid. Nevertheless, he said that dealers would benefit more from moving greater numbers of vehicles than increasing prices, since there is a broad market for used cars.

#### HB 24

**VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS** (<u>Ginter, T.</u>) To modify the existing tax exemption for veterans organizations' property to include property of certain veterans organizations-exempt from federal taxation under section 501C(4) of the Internal Revenue Code and to exclude property that is not used primarily for meetings, administration, and the provision of programs and services to past and present members of the United States armed forces.

(**CONTINUED**; 2nd Hearing-Proponent)

Several veterans gave testimony to express veteran organizations' need for property tax exemption.

Frank Williams, state inspector and legislative director for the Ohio Disabled American Veterans, explained that, although the organization is exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)4 of the Internal Revenue Code, its particular characteristics do not currently allow it to be exempt from property taxes under section 501(c)19.

"Membership in DAV requires an exclusive credential so the liberal rules of 501(c)19 offer no advantage to DAV," Mr. Williams said. "Consequently, National DAV and Ohio DAV have not converted their 501(c)4 classification into a 501(c)19 because it does not comply with the purposes or Mission Statement of the DAV."

Rep. Doug Green (R-Mt. Orab) asked if other veterans' organizations are exempt from property taxes. Mr. Williams said many are already exempt, and that the bill is an attempt to place organizations like the DAV on the same level as the others.

Mr. Robert Bertschy, a member of the DAV and the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame, talked about the need for the exemption of property taxes.

He mentioned a case in which his own DAV chapter acquired a piece of land which was used for a monument, but the chapter was denied a tax exemption on the land by the Tax Commissioner.

"The present interpretation and application of [the law] by the Department of Taxation also has chilled the acceptance of donated real estate by other DAV Chapters because of their inability to obtain tax exemption for these properties," Mr. Bertschy added.

Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development

HB 182 DEBT ADJUSTING (Seitz, B.) Regarding debt adjusting. (CONTINUED

(See separate story); 1st Hearing-Sponsor)

HB 199 MORTGAGE LENDING (Blessing, L.) To create the Ohio Residential

Mortgage Lending Act for the purpose of regulating all non-depository lending secured by residential real estate and to limit the application of the current Mortgage Loan Law to unsecured loans and loans secured by other than residential real estate. (CONTINUED; 2nd Hearing-Proponent-Possible substitute)

Chairman Rep. Jonathan Dever (R-Cincinnati) said a substitute bill is forthcoming, but it was not ready to be considered.

Marianne Collins, executive director and chief operating officer for the Ohio Mortgage Bankers Association, said mortgage bankers who make a loan outside of their agency approval must license as a mortgage broker even though they are not brokers.

"Is it not the intention of this legislation to add or reduce regulation to those lenders that make unsecured loans or loans secured by collateral other than residential real estate under section 1321 of the ORC, but merely to move all mortgage lending into one statute, requiring one license; so as to avoid confusion, provide greater clarity, and eliminate the possibility of licensing under the wrong statute," she said.

She said having an exemption from licensing under agency approval is risky because it could lead to bankers unknowingly engaging in unlicensed activity.

"No changes were made to consumer protections within the legislation," she said. "However, it is our belief that consumer protection will be expanded with the elimination of the mortgage banker exemption."

Charles Moore, regional president for Central Ohio of the Middlefield Banking Company and president of the OMBA, wrote in support of the bill.

"The bill would afford the public trust to have a method of identifying all non-depository license holders with the redaction of the registration provision currently in place," he wrote. Subscribers Note: Full testimony is available on the committee's <u>website</u> under May 23. State & Local Government

HB 146 DEATH CERTIFICATES (Householder, L.) To allow a coroner to change the cause, manner, and mode of death in a filed death certificate only after a

hearing in the court of common pleas. (CONTINUED (See separate story);

2nd Hearing-All testimony)

HB 168 CEMETERY REGISTRATION (Stein, D.) To modify duties of the Division of

Real Estate in the Department of Commerce regarding cemetery registration,

	to specify cemetery owners must reasonably maintain cemeteries, to
	establish the Cemetery Grant Program, and to make an appropriation.
	(CONTINUED (No testimony); 3rd Hearing-All testimony-Possible vote)
HB 207	PHOTO MONITORING (Patton, T.) To prohibit a municipal corporation or
est de service de la companya del companya de la companya del companya de la comp	township that does not operate either a fire department or an emergency
	medical services organization from utilizing traffic law photo-monitoring
	devices. (CONTINUED (See separate story); 1st Hearing-Sponsor)
HB 208	PHOTO MONITORING (Patton, T.) To prohibit a local authority with a
	population of 200 or fewer from utilizing traffic law photo-monitoring devices.
	(CONTINUED (See separate story); 1st Hearing-Sponsor)
HB 209	PHOTO MONITORING (Patton, T.) To prohibit a local authority, in any year,
	from issuing a total number of traffic tickets based on the use of traffic law
	photo-monitoring devices that exceeds two times the population of the local
	authority. (CONTINUED (See separate story); 1st Hearing-Sponsor)
HB 210	PHOTO MONITORING (Patton, T.) To prohibit a local authority from
	deriving more than 30 per cent of the total annual revenue of the local
	authority from the issuance of tickets for traffic law violations based on
	evidence recorded by traffic law photo-monitoring devices. (CONTINUED
	(See separate story); 1st Hearing-Sponsor)
SB 37⊒	POLICE CHIEF TRAINING (Hite, C.) To require the Ohio Peace Officer
	Training Commission to develop and conduct a chief of police training course
	for newly appointed village, city, and township chiefs of police.
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Ada Chief of Police Michael Harnishfeger said the training "would be foundational to the duties of police chief and set the chief's career from a position of core knowledge."

"We realize that 40-hours of training will not make a police chief, however, SB37 offers our newly appointed police chiefs a solid foundation and resources from which to pull at the start of their police chief career," he said.

In written testimony, <u>Attorney General Mike DeWine</u> called the legislation a "great first step in helping to ensure that future police chiefs receive the best possible training to prepare them to be both a steward of the public trust and a leader of peace officers." However, he did suggest the definition of "newly appointed chief of police" be broadened to include constables, university and hospital chiefs.

<u>SB 62</u> DAY DESIGNATION (<u>Yuko, K.</u>) To designate July 8 as "Harrison Dillard Day." (**CONTINUED**; 1st Hearing-Sponsor)

<u>Sen. Kenny Yuko</u> (D-Richmond Hts.) said Williams Harrison Dillard "became one of the most consistent hurdlers the world has ever seen."

The Cleveland native tied world records in 1946, 1947 and 1948. He also won four gold medals.

"He is currently the only male competitor to ever win Olympic medals in both sprinting and hurdles," Sen. Yuko said.

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Government Accountability & Oversight

HB 132

FANTASY CONTESTS (Dever, J., McColley, R.) To grant the Ohio Casino Control Commission the authority to regulate fantasy contests and to exempt fantasy contests from the gambling laws. (REPORTED (No testimony); 4th Hearing-Possible amendments & vote)

HB 145 CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT (Huffman, S., Sprague, R.) To provide for the establishment of a confidential program for the treatment of certain impaired practitioners and to declare an emergency. (CONTINUED; 2nd Hearing-Proponent)

> Tim Maglione, senior director of government relations for the Ohio State Medical Association, said the group helped craft the legislation in an effort to encourage physicians to get treatment earlier, before their substance abuse can begin affecting their work.

> "A physician is just as likely as an individual from the general population to develop a substance abuse disorder," he said. "Having a secure program like One-Bite in place gives our physicians as well as physicians from other states applying for Ohio licensure the chance to receive treatment for the medical condition of addiction, and to be fairly monitored, rather than immediately punished for it. This keeps Ohio's physicians healthier and better able to serve their patients."

> Those who become part of the program are either referred or seek treatment themselves, he added.

> Jonithon LaCross, director of public policy and government affairs for the State Medical Board of Ohio, said the current program requires a minimum of 28 days of in-patient treatment and two years of after-care treatment, but there is no requirement for ongoing drug screening or counseling:

"While well-intentioned, the current program misses many of the benefits of a modern recovery program," he said.

The proposed set of requirements, meanwhile, "gives impaired licensees the greatest chance at recovery on their first attempt, while providing greater immediate and long-term public protection," Mr. LaCross said.

Under the confidential program, physicians will be required to adhere to monitoring and oversight dictated by the State Medical Board of Ohio and a monitoring organization for five years, said Dr. David Goldberg, medical director for the Ohio Physicians Health Program, Those that don't complete treatment plans or participate in program activities would be reported to the state board, he said.

"Confidential programs are most often done through effective interface between regulatory boards and monitoring organizations such as Physicians Health Programs," Mr. Goldberg said. "House Bill 145 will make changes to the existing One- Bite that will further align Ohio's practices with national standards through the establishment of a confidential program." He told the panel that physicians who are part of the program will be required to undergo regular drug testing for five years and would not be permitted to take part in One-Bite again if relapse occurs after successful completion.

Fred Jorgensen, president of the Academy of Medicine of Cleveland and Northern Ohio, also provided written testimony in support of the measure.

# HB 189 COSMETOLOGY LAW (Roegner, K., Reece, A.) To make changes to the Cosmetology Licensing Law. (CONTINUED; 2nd Hearing-Proponent)

Tony Fiore, legislative counsel for the Ohio Salon Association, said the bill is the product of the Future of the Beauty Industry Coalition, which has been meeting for the last four years to research industry licensing practices in all 50 states.

Research has shown there is no justification for cosmetologists needing more than 1,000 hours of training to be licensed, he said, offering support for a provision that would reduce the current minimum of 1,500 hours.

"It still takes 1,500 hours to become a cosmetologist while only 900 hours to become an EMT-Paramedic in order to save your life or a real estate sales person at 120 hours to help make one of the largest financial decisions," he said.

The increased amount of training makes it more likely that cosmetology students will drop out and typically results in additional student loan debt, Mr. Fiore said.

He also touted portions of the bill that permit license reciprocity between states and create a cosmetology apprenticeship program.

Administrative changes include aligning safety and sanitation rules with known causes of infections, diseases and other health threats and permitting cosmetologists and hair designers to use safety razors for grooming.

The aim of the legislation is to improve student and school success, reduce training costs and address administrative burdens, Mr. Fiore said.

"Common, sensible licensing standards are crucial to sustainable growth for our industry and protecting public safety. Together, we will build a stronger future for our industry and continue to support accountability and licensing of our professionals."

Rep. Bill Seitz (R-Cincinnati) questioned a proposed change that would require training schools to increase their bonding amounts from \$10,000 to \$100,000. He said a school has never drawn on the lower bond amount and increasing it would put training programs in a financial bind.

A number of schools have closed in the state and more projected to do so in the future, Mr. Fiore said. With that in mind, it's beneficial to students who could risk having to change programs for schools to obtain higher bond amounts.

Clara Osterhage, who owns 62 licensed salons in Ohio and eight in other states, said the apprenticeship provision in the bill is especially important as federal regulations have resulted in 18 private training schools closing in Ohio since 2016.

Currently, there are 175 cosmetology schools in the state, 88 of which are high schools, 67 are private, and are 22 adult education programs, she said.

She said she has been working with local schools to create programs in order to ensure that there are trained workers to enter the field, particularly in the Dayton area where many of the school closures occurred.

"We need more than just traditional cosmetology programs to ensure a pipeline of workers into our industry," Ms. Osterhage said. "HB189 provides for the establishment of apprenticeship programs which will allow salons to create alternatives to formal cosmetology training and education if needed. Those salons that do not have formal school programs

close by can benefit immensely - providing a new source of trained and licensed professionals."

The committee also received written testimony from a handful of supporters, including the owners of The Charles Penzone Salons, Great Clips, Sport Clips and Roosters Men's Grooming Centers

HB 226

FIREWORKS (Seitz, B., Sweeney, M.) To establish a fireworks study group to review and make recommendations regarding the Fireworks Law, to extend to July 1, 2020, the moratorium on issuing fireworks manufacturer and wholesaler licenses, to eliminate, beginning January 1, 2021, the moratorium on geographic transfer of fireworks manufacturer and wholesaler licenses, and, beginning July 1, 2020, to impose a fee on the retail sale of consumer grade fireworks in this state and to expand the ability of individuals to obtain 1.3G display fireworks and obtain and use 1.4G consumer fireworks.

(CONTINUED (See separate story); 1st Hearing-Sponsor-Pending referral)

Energy & Natural Resources

SB 2

**ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS** (<u>Hite, C.</u>) To revise specified laws relating to environmental protection. (**REPORTED** (**No testimony**); 4th Hearing-All testimony-Possible amendments & vote)

Rep. Nino Vitale (R-Urbana) was the bill's lone opponent.

HR 115

carbon capture (Cera, J.) To urge the Congress of the United States to enact, and the President of the United States to sign, legislation to extend and expand the current federal tax credit for carbon capture, utilization, and storage, and to urge the Congress to support other policies relating to energy generation and protecting the environment. (CONTINUED; 1st Hearing-Sponsor)

Rep. Jack Cera (D-Bellaire) said the bill urges Congress to extend and increase the existing tax credit for carbon capture, utilization and storage and promotes other policies that relate to generating electricity and protecting the environment.

"This federal legislation has bipartisan support, including both Ohio Senators Brown and Portman," he said. "It also has the support from environmental groups and the energy industry."

"What is unique about this proposal is that it brings advocates on opposing sides of the energy issue together for the good of all types of energy production. The coal industry and environmentalists are joining forces to extend tax credits to power plants that capture carbon dioxide in storage tanks underground."

Rep. Cera said similar resolutions have passed in Kentucky and North Dakota, and more are expected to be offered in other states. He told the panel that the federal proposal would increase the current credit from \$20 to either \$35 or \$50, and added that it could help further carbon capture research that is underway in Ohio.

Chair Rep. Al Landis (R-Dover) questioned how many jobs would be saved if coal's lifespan is lengthened.

Mr. Cera responded that it is likely that no additional coal-fired electric plans will be developed unless capturing technology is improved.

Rep. Andy Thompson (R-Marietta) asked whether Murray Energy is supportive of the bill. Mr. Cera said he hasn't spoken directly to Murray on the proposal, but that a number of large coal producers have endorsed the bill in Congress.

#### Criminal Justice

HB 109

PRISON TERMS (<u>Patmon</u>, <u>B</u>.) To create specifications that impose an additional prison term on a felony offender who commits the offense against a disabled person or elderly person and a period of Department of Youth Services commitment on a delinquent child for felony act committed against a disabled or elderly person, for felony offenses that do not delineate enhanced penalties when a disabled or elderly person is the victim of the violation. (**CONTINUED**; 2nd Hearing-Proponent)

Jane Gerhardt, policy specialist for the Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities program at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, said in written testimony that the victimization rate of those with disabilities is twice the rate for persons without disability.

Those with cognitive disabilities are even more likely to be victimized, she said.

Ms. Gerhardt's own daughter, Anne, has been diagnosed with Down syndrome.

"Individuals with cognitive disabilities belong alongside their friends, neighbors and coworkers in our communities. Full inclusion is the goal of many people with disabilities and their family members and it's certainly our goal for Anne," she said.

"Her welcoming, friendly and accepting personality is what draws people to her. Yet that is also what makes her vulnerable to those who may seek to take advantage of her or worse, to do her real harm."

Rico Dancy, who is deaf, detailed his own victimization for the panel. "We are people as you are," he said. "We have a voice that has to be heard."

HB 137

CHILD ABUSE REPORTING (Kent, B.) To make municipal and county peace officers mandatory reporters of child abuse or neglect. (CONTINUED (See separate story); 2nd Hearing-Proponent)

HB 215

PAULDING COURTS (Riedel, C.) To create the Paulding County Municipal Court in Paulding on January 1, 2019, to establish one full-time judgeship in that court, to provide for the nomination of the judge by petition only, to abolish the Paulding County County Court on that date, to designate the Paulding County Clerk of Courts as the clerk of the Paulding County Municipal Court, and to provide for the election for the Paulding County Municipal Court of one full-time judge in 2018. (CONTINUED; 1st Hearing-Sponsor)

Sponsoring Rep. Craig Riedel (R-Defiance) said the full-time court is needed due to the expansion of U.S. 24.

"This has increased the flow of traffic through Paulding County. More law enforcement has been placed along this road and the Paulding County Court has seen a substantial increase of tickets, accidents, and moving violations," he said.

Rep. Riedel said currently, the county court has just one day set aside each week for jury

"These factors along with many others, such as the increasing cases regarding the opioid epidemic, have created an injustice to the people of Paulding County," he said.

HB 63

PRISON TERMS (<u>Hughes, J.</u>) To require an additional prison term for felonious assault of 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, or 20 years if the offender also is convicted of a specification that charges that the harm caused by the violation resulted in a permanent, serious disfigurement or substantial incapacity or that the offender used an accelerant in committing the violation and to name the act's provisions "Judy's Law." (REPORTED-SUBSTITUTE (See separate story) (Set for Wednesday, May 24 floor vote); 4th Hearing-All testimony-Possible substitute & vote)

HB 68

VOYEURISM (Anielski, M.) To include an impaired person as a potential victim of voyeurism, to include conduct involving an impaired person within the offenses of pandering obscenity involving a minor, pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor, and illegal use of a minor in a nudity-oriented material or performance, and to prohibit an owner, operator, administrator, or employee of a care facility from creating, sharing, reproducing, or-publishing any image of a care facility resident without a proper purpose and without prior written consent from the resident. (REPORTED (No testimony); 4th Hearing-All testimony-Possible vote)

Subscriber's note: Full testimony is available on the <u>committee's website</u> under May 23. Economic Development, Commerce & Labor

HB 128

**BUILDING INSPECTIONS** (Roegner, K.) To permit a general contractor or owner of specified buildings to enter into a contract with a third-party private inspector or a certified building department for building inspection and to make other changes relating to building inspections. (**CONTINUED**; 3rd Hearing-Opponent)

Over a dozen opponents - mostly members of local building departments - expressed their unease at several key aspects of the bill.

The ability for contractors to use the bill to pick and choose their inspectors, thereby circumventing municipal inspection requirements, was a major concern of the witnesses. Josh Brown, director of communications for the Ohio Municipal League, emphasized the role of local building inspectors.

"Proponents have argued that building departments should compete with each other, effectively creating a free market in law-enforcement," he said. "However, nobody seriously believes that law enforcement officers should compete with each other to enforce the law. Citizens are not consumers of law enforcement."

There was general consensus among the opponents that the Ohio Board of Building Standards ought to remain the sole authority for inspections in the state, and that permission for contractors to request independent inspections would lead to chaos.

"This rule change would undermine the OBBS existence," wrote Neal Dorenkott, member of
the North Central Ohio Building Officials Association. "This would send the inspection
process back in time; it could be an example of the 'fox guarding the hen house."

Several witnesses suggested that some of the issues raised in the bill ought to be dealt with
at the level of the OBBS.

Bryan Parker, president of the Miami Valley Building Council, has been on both sides of the appeals process - as a contractor and an inspector. He said the OBBS listens and is fair, and the board is quite capable of handling complaints from contractors. The issues of timeliness in the bill, Mr. Parker and others said, are issues which have existing remedies in the OBBS arbitration process and have no place in legislation.

FLU VACCINES (<u>Hagan, C.</u>) To prohibit an employer from taking an adverse employment action against a person who has not been or will not be vaccinated against influenza. (**CONTINUED**; 1st Hearing-Sponsor)

Sponsor Rep. Christina Hagan (R-Alliance) said employees should not be forced to receive the flu vaccine in order to keep their jobs.

"Voluntarily agreeing to take the flu vaccine, knowing the risks and low efficacy rate is a right that should be maintained," she said, "but to mandate such a vaccine is an egregious violation of personal freedom."

Rep. Hagan said flu vaccines have questionable efficacy rates, and can have negative side effects for some people. She gave the example of one acquaintance who became temporarily debilitated after receiving an employer-mandated vaccine.

Rep. Michele Lepore-Hagan (D-Youngstown) asked if the bill could target all vaccine mandates. Rep. Hagan replied that it is limited to flu vaccines because they are the only vaccines with evident negative results and thus should to be a personal decision.

HB 211 HOME INSPECTORS (Hughes, J.) To require the licensure of home inspectors and to create the Ohio Home Inspector Board to regulate the licensure and performance of home inspectors. (CONTINUED; 1st Hearing-

(noneor)

Sponsor Rep. Jim Hughes (R-Columbus) said home inspection is one of the few remaining areas of inspection which does not require any state licensing or accreditation, and homeowners suffer because of it.

"If the home inspector's assessment is wrong, the homeowner may face thousands of dollars in repairs with no recourse against the inspector," he said. "With no license to suspend or revoke, or additional education to be required, the home inspector can continue to practice in this field."

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Rep. Lepore-Hagan wondered what the current procedure is to become a home inspector, and what sort of people are currently becoming home inspectors. Rep. Hughes replied that anyone in the room could go on the internet, take an online course, and become a home inspector in just two hours.

Subscriber's Note: For full written testimony, see the <u>committee website</u> under May 23. Federalism & Interstate Relations

HB 142

CONCEALED WEAPONS (Wiggam, S.) To eliminate the requirement that a concealed handgun licensee notify a law enforcement officer that the licensee is carrying a concealed handgun when stopped. (CONTINUED (See separate story); 3rd Hearing-All testimony)

HB 201

CONCEALED WEAPONS (<u>Hood, R., Brinkman, T.</u>) To allow a concealed handgun licensee to carry concealed all firearms other than dangerous ordnance or firearms prohibited by state or federal law; to repeal the requirement that a licensee stopped for a law enforcement purpose promptly inform an approaching officer if the licensee is carrying a firearm and provide for expungement of convictions based on a violation of the requirement; and to provide that a person age 21 or older and not prohibited by federal law from possessing or receiving a firearm does not need a concealed handgun license in order to carry a concealed firearm and is subject to the same laws regarding concealed firearm carrying as a licensee. (CONTINUED; 2nd Hearing-Proponent)

Chris Dorr from Ohio Gun Owners said the legislation is based on "the simple idea that if you're legal to own a firearm, you should be able to carry it for any lawful purpose with no additional permits, fees, government mandated training, or bureaucratic paperwork required."

"The right to keep and bear arms is a God-given, natural right enshrined in our Constitution,
not a right bestowed on citizens by government or legislature," he said.

Mr. Dorr said under current law, it is legal to carry a firearm openly with no training or other bureaucratic red tape such as taxes or fees.

"And this system seems to work out well: we don't have a problem here in Ohio with accidental shooting of bystanders during self-defense situations nor do we have a problem with vigilante justice being meted out at the hands of these 'open carriers," he said. The legislation, he said, would also eliminate a current requirement in law that concealed carriers notify law enforcement officials when they are carrying a firearm.

Rep. Kyle Koehler (R-Springfield) questioned whether the legislation would have any impact on Ohio's concealed handgun reciprocity with other states.

Mr. Dorr said similar laws in other states have not caused problems.

Jeffry Smith also urged passage of the legislation.

"Far from validating the shopworn claims of the anti-gun side, whose overblown emotional assertions have repeatedly been proven wrong, law-abiding citizens want to remain law-abiding, and in my experience have and will seek out resources to a) remain that way, and b) educate themselves about firearms," he said. "The role that government can and should play is to encourage/provide resources and mechanisms for youngsters and adults to do both."

HCR 9

EXTRADITION (Holmes, G.) To urge the President of the United States, the United States Secretary of State, and the Congress of the United States to compel Brazil to extradite Claudia Hoerig to stand trial for the aggravated murder of her husband, Major Karl Hoerig, and to request that the United

States terminate foreign aid payments to Brazil if Claudia Hoerig is not extradited. (CONTINUED; 1st Hearing-Sponsor)

Sponsoring Rep. Glenn Holmes (D-McDonald) said the need for the legislation arose after a 2007 murder in Trumbull County.

Law enforcement determined the victim's wife committed the crime and then escaped to Brazil where she received state-authorized sanctuary from prosecution.

"Over ten years have now passed since a grand jury charged Ms. (Claudia) Hoerig with the aggravated murder of her husband, and she continues to elude justice in spite of the efforts made by various state and federal officials seeking her return, including the Office of International Affairs, the FBI, Peter Elliott of the U.S. Marshal's Office Northern District of Ohio, and Congressman Tim Ryan of Ohio's 17th Congressional District," he said. The legislation requests that foreign aid payments to Brazil be terminated if the government ultimately refuses to extradite Ms. Hoerig.

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(See separate story)

Education & Career Readiness

HB 170

COMPUTER SCIENCE (Carfagna, R., Duffey, M.) With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; to create a competitive technology grant program for the 2018-2019 school year; and to make an appropriation. (CONTINUED SUBSTITUTE; 3rd Hearing-All testimony-Possible substitute)

> Rep. Rick Carfagna (R-Westerville) explained the various changes in the substitute, which include the removal of the grant program and provisions for local schools to create their own funds. It also removes biology as a substitutable course given its required under federal law, and removes references to "high quality teachers," among other changes. (Sponsor's **Explanation**; LSC Comparison Document)

> Rep. Dan Ramos (D-Lorain) said he had concerns with substituting computer science for algebra since a person could not receive a college degree in the field without taking algebra. Rep. Carfagna said the aim was to provide options for high school students who weren't going to take the higher education route rather than discouraging participation in algebra classes.

Four witnesses appeared in support of the bill.

Annalies Corbin, founder, president and CEO of PAST Foundation, a non-profit provider of STEM education, curriculum design and workforce development, said she supported the measure "because we believe this bill moves the state in the right direction toward addressing gaps in workforce development by allowing computer science to stand on its own as a critical learning objective for Ohio students."

"Specifically, allowing computer science to count as a science or math credit as part of the minimum high school curriculum provides students flexibility for more exposure to elements of computer science, which has shown to be critical in sustaining interest in STEM-related higher education and career paths," she said.

Answering questions from Rep. John Patterson (D-Jefferson), Ms. Corbin said more than half of high school students lose interest before they graduate due to the "blackboard-based" education methods. Transitioning from lecture-based to a more applied learning approach takes a lot of work and participation of educators, she said.

Ms. Corbin said her group has worked with schools on retooling existing resources to improve their approaches and encourages public-private partnerships.

Geo Money, director of branding & culture for software development company

OEConnection, said he was backing the measure from a business perspective.

He argued for the need to build computer programming skills into curricula at lower levels of education, saying both students and teachers should become familiarized with computer science courses.

"A big part of the reason for the lack of qualified workers is that there isn't adequate training in computer science early enough in our students' education," he said.

"Ohio, through private enterprise, is able to train current members of the workforce who wish to change careers and move to technology positions. This is being done through numerous coding camps that specialize in this endeavor. But for Ohio students still in middle and high school, and in many of our colleges and universities, the current technology offerings are not adequate to help them learn the basics of computer science so they can determine if they have the aptitude for and interest in pursuing technology-related fields of study in college or as a career," Mr. Money said.

Jennie Zamberlan, founder and President of Avantia, Inc., an information technology firm headquartered in Cleveland, said she also founded a 12-week full-time coding boot camp to address the shortage of software developers.

Nevertheless, statistics predict that "we are facing a large deficit of skilled workers to fill the future technology jobs," she said.

Ms. Zamberlan remarked that while there is technology in every classroom, the system is not teaching computer science.

"From a business perspective, the number one issue we face is the shortage of skilled Information Technology workers. We need to support our public education system in the mission to prepare our students for the postindustrial era jobs that will help Ohio and the United States to prosper," she said.

"It is a simple matter of supply and demand: if we don't have the appropriate supply of skilled workers, the jobs won't be here. Other states and other nations are recognizing the need for computer science and are mandating curriculum starting in Kindergarten and continuing through High School. We need to support our teachers in implementing quality computer science curriculum, and we must ensure access for all students in all grades, regardless of their ZIP code."

Ms. Zamberlan called the bill "an important piece of legislation that will support building the pipeline of a skilled population positioned to compete in the digital future that is transforming our work, our lives and our world."

Rep. Robert Cupp (R-Lima) asked whether computer programmers could be proficient without mastering algebra and geometry.

The witness said the key was an aptitude for problem solving, saying that while math skills are very important, it's more about the pattern of thinking. Higher levels of math are not critically important but aptitude for math is, she said.

Responding to a question from <u>Rep. Catherine Ingram</u> (D-Cincinnati), Ms. Zamberlan said it was important to get teachers more involved at the lower grade levels. "We have to develop programs to get teachers comfortable with teaching those subjects," she said.

Rep. Theresa Gavarone (R-Bowling Green) asked about the speed of advancing technology. The witness said that along with teaching fundamental skills, students must be prepared to learn more through experience.

Brandon Ogden, director of the Ohio Small Business Council for the Ohio Chamber of Commerce, said the basis of the group's support was simple: "We feel that in general competency in computer science better prepares students for the workforce or their next step in education. It provides practical knowledge, or as one of our members stated, "A more tangible application learning process." I take this to mean that the skills and knowledge gained through successful completion of a computer science course actually translate into those used in their future careers."

"It is important to note that adopting the computer science standards within HB170 is entirely permissive, meaning that each local school district can decide whether they wish to adopt them, and even if adopted by the schools, parents and students ultimately make the final decision," Mr. Ogden said.

"Many students struggle with math and science thereby they face frustration and discouragement when taking courses such as Algebra II. This new option could be critical to the success of student's high school careers. Additionally, the exposure to computer-science could uncover a student's passion for computing which could ultimately lead to a fruitful career."

SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Hood, R., Brinkman, T.) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments. (CONTINUED; 1st Hearing-Sponsor)

"This piece of legislation responds to concerns developed over the past two decades following Ohio's shift to a system that leans heavily on the use of criterion-referenced assessments to gauge the success of a student's educational experience," said sponsor Rep. Ron Hood (R-Ashville). He noted that the system of determining "proficiency" has been revised repeatedly over the years.

"While the system change may have been well intended to create stability between what is taught and what is tested, it has actually had the opposite effect in layers of unintended consequences since 1994. Our policies over the past 23 years have created a one-size-fits-all system of state assessments for students - and students are cognitively not one size fits all," he said. The policies have also led to a system under which educators "teach to the test."

"Consequently, classroom instruction has become more narrowly focused and prescriptive.

HB181 will restore our state to a more stable norm-referenced assessment system," Mr.

Hood continued. "This form of summative assessment will not have score standards that

frequently change and will provide more reliable diagnostic information for teachers to use to help guide their instruction."

Rep. Hood said the bill "will restore genuine opportunities for classroom teachers to work with students more effectively and will restore genuine local control to every school district. Regarding the Third-Grade Reading Guarantee, HB181-will use quintile ranges, rather than arbitrary cut scores, that create a bell curve to institute a safety net that will identify third-grade students who would academically benefit from retention. This will provide parents with the flexibility to seek remedial help for their children who are above the lowest quintile." The bill would also repeal "the state driven systems of OTES and OPES, replacing them with a restoration of local control over these elements of accountability," he said. "It allows for the use of norm-referenced assessment data, but caps the inclusion of this portion to 20% of a teacher's evaluation. This will encourage local districts to create meaningful evaluations and avoids the unintended consequence of super-gluing the performance of a teacher to assessments when the underperformance of students on a test could be due to many more factors in the students' experiences."

Rep. Tom Brinkman (R-Cincinnati), the other main sponsor of the bill, said it will "eliminate state-driven end-of-course exams and other criterion-referenced assessments, which effectively eliminate local control over what is taught. It replaces state-driven teacher and principal evaluation systems with locally developed and more meaningful plans for evaluation. And it stamps out the nationally-driven Common Core State Standards system." "However, it's important to understand that HB181 also requires that Ohio's academic standards be aligned to the norm-referenced assessments selected by the state. It will be a more generalized list of standards that will be drawn from the norm-referenced assessment blueprint, which will serve to protect Ohio's existing federal education funds."

To help accomplish that task, legislative and State Board of Education input are incorporated into the bill, he said. "Both processes outlined within the legislation involve the Legislative Office of Education Oversight, as a research arm of LSC, to provide review and recommendations to the legislature."

The bill also addresses privacy concerns by protecting student data from marketing and unauthorized disclosure, Mr. Brinkman said. Parents would be notified regarding the types of data to be collected through digital learning platforms or assessments at the beginning of each year, and districts would also be expected to post local policies about data collection and use on their websites.

Responding to a question from Rep. Ingram, Rep. Hood said evaluations would be done on the local level, and there would still be standards under the bill.

Rep. Kent Smith (D-Euclid) asked if local boards could continue with Common Core standards. And Chairman Rep. Andy Brenner (R-Powell) asked who would be selecting the tests.

Rep. Hood said the standards would not be aligned with the Common Core, and that tests would be based on standards developed by LOEO and reviewed by the legislature and state board.

Rep. Brenner questioned the timeline for rolling out the new system, remarking that that state board "takes months to do anything."

#### HB 37

SCHOOL FACILITIES (Arndt, S.) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security. (CONTINUED-SUBSTITUTE (No testimony): 2nd Hearing-Proponent-Possible substitute)

The panel adopted a substitute version to align the bill with its Senate companion (SB 82). Those changes include revised qualifications, a new program name, School Facilities Commission assessments, adjusted funding levels and local matching fund requirements. (Comparison Document)

Subscribers Note: Full testimony is available on the committee's website under May 23.

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# Senate Activity for Tuesday, May 23, 2017

#### INTRODUCED

SB 155

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SECURITY RESOURCES (<u>Terhar, L., Peterson, B.</u>) To allow electric distribution utilities to recover costs for a national security generation resource. Am. 4928.01, 4928.02, 4928.141, 4928.142, and 4928.143

SB 156

CALL CENTERS (Schiavoni, J., Yuko, K.) To enact the Consumer Protection Call Center Act of 2017 to require the Department of Job and Family Services to compile a list of all employers that relocate a call center to a foreign country and to disqualify employers on that list from state grants, loans, and other benefits. Am. 4113.87, 4113.88, 4113.89, 4113.90, 4113.91, and 4113.92

SCR 8

MISSILE DEFENSE (O'Brien, S., Eklund, J.) A resolution to urge the United States Missile Defense Agency to select Camp Ravenna Joint Military Training Center in Ravenna, Ohio, as the preferred site for a future east coast Missile-Defense system.

#### **COMMITTEE HEARINGS**

Finance: General Government & Agency Review Sub.

**Development Services Agency:** The House-passed version of the budget (<u>HB 49</u>) would allocate about \$1.6 million fewer dollars to the agency over the biennium. DAS would receive \$166 million in Fiscal Year 2018 and \$159.9 million in FY 2019 - amounting to an approximate \$806,100 reduction each year (about -.48%).

<u>Sen. John Eklund</u> (R-Chardon) asked DSA Director David Goodman why the agency's Third Frontier awards have decreased over the last two budget cycles. Mr. Goodman replied that the agency has begun to more narrowly target those awards.

"Originally they did major, large research and development in research-based investments," Mr. Goodman replied. During the current administration, "we focused the investments more to direct job creating economic opportunities and small businesses.

"I think the Third Frontier Commission is healthy, it's narrowly focused, and it is investing in things that will give it the best return on Ohio dollars," Mr. Goodman continued.

Vice Chair <u>Sen. Sean O'Brien</u> (D-Hubbard) said he's heard that local governments are concerned the department is shifting away from grant programs in favor of loans.

"As it pertains to how we fund and assist local governments we haven't been moving toward loans," Mr. Goodman said. "But we have done so on the project side. We wanted to be able

to create a situation where we could provide assistance to businesses, help them grow and become healthy and (they) have the potential to pay it back."

Sen. O'Brien also complained of a lack of transparency from JobsOhio and salaries in excess of hundreds of thousands of dollars for the quasi-public agency's leaders. To that, Mr.

Goodman replied that JobsOhio is led by an independent board that is appointed by the governor.

"We simply make sure the information they provide to us is provided to you for your consideration," Mr. Goodman said.

Civil Rights Commission: Director Michael Payton said the commission is concerned about the House passed budget given its anticipated workload increase should <u>HB 2</u> pass both chambers.

The House-passed budget would allocate \$5 million and \$5.59 million to the commission each year of the next biennium. That's a 1.5% decrease each year compared to the executive proposal, Mr. Payton said.

He said the cut would be manageable but that he's "very apprehensive" about the decrease given the workload increase he expects under that bill (HB 2). The bill would in part require a discrimination complaint be filed with the commission prior to the filing of a lawsuit. Mr. Payton said the bill, which OCRC initially opposed, was not the commission's idea. He said the agency will continue to be frugal, finding efficiencies and opportunities to streamline. The commission has already reduced office space to save costs. And it recently accepted three three-year-old computers to replace obsolete 10-year-old models from the Department of Administrative Services - a move he said saved \$50,000.

Ohio Consumers' Counsel: Bruce Weston said he generally supports the House-passed version, which maintains cuts in the executive version. The agency would receive \$5.5 million in each fiscal year, which Mr. Weston said would put the agency's funding level at about where it was 22 fiscal years ago.

He did request that senators make a small change to the budget by removing a provision he said deletes a requirement for flat rate among low-income consumers with landline assistance.

"The people who get this are typically the poorest of the poor," Mr. Weston said. "They don't have as much of a voice and I want to be a voice to them. We oppose the change." Mr. Weston expressed his continued support for House-added language permitting the agency to accept calls from consumers and assist them. He had previously urged lawmakers to add the language.

The OCC previously operated its own call center, but lawmakers in 2011 stripped it of that authority, delegating it solely to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. The new language would not establish a new call center, but rather expand the agency's ability to respond to consumer issues, Mr. Weston said.

"I am not asking for a call center," Mr. Weston reiterated.

Because the language would still permit the OCC to forward calls to the PUCO's call center, Sen. Eklund questioned how the OCC will determine which consumer calls to field or forward.

Mr. Weston said calls related to submetering concerns of the ongoing telephone collaborative would be examples of those he would field. Speaking more generally, he said he intends "to do it in a way that is consistent with our budget, consistent with our staffing."

"My consideration at this time, which might be informed over time, is that we would identify certain issues where it would be particularly helpful for the agency and consumers we represent to assist consumers," Mr. Weston said.

Sen. Eklund then questioned at what point consumer-client privilege would kick in when the OCC fields such calls. Mr. Weston said that challenge already exists for the agency and that is it not "insurmountable."

Other state entities testifying Tuesday included the State Barber Board and the Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs.

**Subscribers Note:** Technical issues have delayed the posting of copies of written testimony to the subcommittee's website, according to Senate staff. The testimony will be available in the near future at **the website** under May 23.

Finance: Higher Education Sub.

See separate story.

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# Daily Activity Planner for Wednesday, May 24

## Legislative Committees

House Health (Committee Record) (Chr. Huffman, S., 466-8114), Rm. 121, 9 a.m.

PHYSICAL THERAPY (Gavarone, T., Reineke, B.) To modify the laws governing the practice of physical therapy. (1st Hearing-Sponsor)

ABORTION (Patmon, B., Conditt, M.) To expand the crime of abortion trafficking and to increase the penalty. (4th Hearing-Possible amendments)

House Transportation & Public Safety (Committee Record) (Chr. Green, D., 644-6034), Rm. 017, 9 a.m.

ROAD NAMING (<u>Householder, L.</u>) To designate a portion of State Route 16 in Coshocton County as the "Staff Sergeant Paul C. Mardis Jr. Memorial Highway." (1st hearing-All testimony-Possible vote)

MONTH DESIGNATION (Riedel, C.) To designate May as "Drive Ohio Byways Month." (2nd Hearing-All testimony-Possible vote)

LICENSE PLATES (<u>Johnson, T., Craig, H.</u>) To establish a program for the issuance of special license plates related to military service and awards. (2nd Hearing-All testimony-Possible vote)

WHEELCHAIR TRANSPORTS (Ingram, C., Seitz, B.) To modify the provisions concerning the transport of persons who require the use of a wheelchair or other mobility aid in nonemergency circumstances. (2nd Hearing-All testimony-Possible amendments & vote)

RAIL CROSSINGS (<u>Lepore-Hagan, M., Schuring, K.</u>) To require vehicle operators to watch, listen, and stop for on-track equipment that may be approaching a railroad crossing. (1st Hearing-Sponsor)

AIR COMMISSION (Barnes, J.) To create the Commercial Airline and Air Freight Commission. (1st Hearing-Sponsor)

Senate Ways & Means (Committee Record) (Chr. Eklund, J., 644-7718), South Hearing Rm., 9 a.m.

TAX CREDITS (<u>Dolan, M.</u>) To provide that compensation paid to certain home-based employees may be counted for purposes of an employer qualifying for and complying with the terms of a Job Creation Tax Credit. (4th Hearing-All testimony-Possible amendments & vote)

Senate Transportation, Commerce & Workforce (Committee Record) (Chr. LaRose, F., 466-4823), Finance Hearing Rm., 9:30 a.m.

 The panel will consider the governor's appointments of: Bruce Edwards to the Transportation Review Advisory Council, Mark Johnson to the Ohio Rail Development Commission and Mary Katris to the Ohio Board of Motor Vehicle Repair.

IC BUDGET (Brinkman, T.) To make appropriations for the Industrial HB 28 Commission for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of Commission programs. (ist Hearing-Sponsor and IC testimony)

SB 78 ROAD NAMING (Hoagland, E.) To designate a portion of State Route 7 in Jefferson County as the "U.S. Air Force Staff Sergeant Yvonne Marie Fair Memorial Highway." (3rd Hearing-all testimony-Possible amendments & vote) House Insurance (Committee Record) (Chr. Brinkman, T., 644-6886), Rm. 114, 10 a.m.

VISION CARE INSURANCE (Schuring, K.) Regarding limitations imposed HB 156 by health insurers on vision care services. (1st Hearing-Sponsor)

WORKERS COMPENSATION (Patton, T.) To make peace officers, HB 161 firefighters, and emergency medical workers diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder arising from employment without an accompanying physical injury eligible for compensation and benefits under Ohio's Workers' Compensation Law for up to one year and to prohibit such a person from receiving a disability benefit from a state retirement system for post-traumatic stress disorder arising from employment without an accompanying physical injury during the time period the person receives compensation and benefits under the Workers' Compensation Law for the disorder. (1st Hearing-Sponsor)

Senate Finance: Health & Medicaid Sub. (Committee Record) (Chr. Hackett, B., 466-3780), North Hearing Rm., 10 a.m.

Public budget testimony

Senate Rules & Reference (Committee Record) (Chr. Obhof, L., 466-7505), Majority Conf. Rm., 11 a.m.

House Session (Committee Record) (Chr. Rosenberger, C., 466-3357), House Chamber, 1:30 p.m.

Senate Session (Committee Record) (Chr. Obhof, L., 466-4900), Senate Chamber, 1:30 p.m.

House Civil Justice (Committee Record) (Chr. Butler, J., 644-6008), Rm. 113, 2:30 p.m. or after session

HUMANE SOCIETIES (Hambley, S.) To make changes to humane society HB 147 law and to make humane society agents subject to bribery law. (1st Hearing-Sponsor-Possible amendment)

FRANKLIN COUNTY COURT (Hughes, J., Lanese, L.) To add two judges HB 174 to the Domestic Relations Division of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas to be elected in 2018. (1st Hearing-Sponsor)

REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS (Dever, J.) To change the definition of HB 213 "appraisal" for purposes of the Real Estate Appraiser Licensing Law, to make changes to certain procedures and the exceptions to licensure under that law, to regulate appraisal management companies, and to declare an emergency. (1st Hearing-Sponsor)

Senate Finance: Primary & Secondary Education Sub. (Committee Record) (Chr. Hite, C., 466-8150), North Hearing Rm., 2:30 p.m. or after session

Public testimony on the biennial budget
House Armed Services, Veterans Affairs & Homeland Security (Committee Record) (Chr.
Johnson, T., 466-2124), Rm. 116, 4 p.m. or after session

HB 202 <sup>™</sup>	AWARENESS DAY (Thompson, A.) To designate the first Saturday of May
	as "Veterans Suicide Awareness Day." (2nd Hearing-All testimony-Possible
	vote)

VETERAN COMMISSIONS (Miller, A., Anielski, M.) To permit county veterans service commissions to elect to add two members to the commission, one who is a veteran who served in Operation Enduring Freedom or Operation Iraqi Freedom, or subsequently in those theaters of operation, and one who is a military spouse. (1st Hearing-Sponsor)

MILITARY TRANSFERS (<u>Perales, R., Craig, H.</u>) To permit persons who quit work to accompany the person's spouse on a military transfer to be eligible for unemployment compensation benefits. (2nd Hearing-All testimony)

AVIATION HALL (Perales, R.) To establish the Governing Board of the Ohio Aviation Hall of Fame and Learning Center for purposes of establishing the Hall and inducting persons into it. (2nd Hearing-All testimony)

House Community & Family Advancement (Committee Record) (Chr. Ginter, T., 466-8022), Rm. 114, 4 p.m.

EBT CARDS (Schaffer, T.) To establish requirements for electronic benefit transfer cards issued under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. (5th Hearing-All testimony)

RECORD EXPUNGEMENT (Schuring, K., Reece, A.) To provide for the expungement of official records related to the apprehension, arrest, criminal charging, or trial of a person based on mistaken identity. (3rd Hearing-Opponent & interested party)

KINSHIP CAREGIVERS (Boyd, J., Rezabek, J.) To require a region-based kinship caregiver navigator program. (3rd Hearing-Opponent & interested party)

# Agency Calendar

BWC Board of Directors, Rm. 3, Level 2, 30 W. Spring St., Columbus, 9:30 a.m. (The Governance Committee will meet 9:30-9:45 a.m.; the Medical Services & Safety Committee 10-11 a.m.; the Actuarial Committee 11-Noon; the Audit Committee 1-2 p.m.; and the Investment Committee 2-3 p.m., the Medical Services & Safety, Actuarial, Audit and Investment Committee meetings may begin earlier if the preceding meeting adjourns earlier than scheduled.)
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 E. Broad St., 11th Fl., Columbus, 1:30 p.m.

## **Event Planner**

Ohio Democratic Women's Caucus Lobbying Day, Theatre Lobby, 77 S. High St., Columbus, 9 a.m.

Communications Workers of America, lawmakers news conference on call center legislation, Press Briefing Rm., Statehouse, Columbus, 10 a.m.

American Wind Energy Association news conference on wind farm setbacks, Ladies Gallery, Statehouse, Columbus, 1 p.m.

Rep. Jim Hughes (R-Columbus) fundraiser, Victory's, 543 S. High St., Columbus, 5 p.m., (Event Sponsor - \$2,500, Event Host - \$1,500, Event Patron - \$1,000 or \$350 per person to Committee for Jim Hughes)

Rep. John Boccieri (D-Alliance) fundraiser, Club 185, 185 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus, 5:30 p.m., (John A. Boccieri for Ohio Committee)
Sen. Kevin Bacon (R-Minerva Park) fundraiser, M, 2 Miranova Place, Columbus, 5:30 p.m., (5:30-6:30pm Reception on Patio, 6:30pm Dinner at M. \$2,000 Host | \$1,500 per Couple | \$1,000 per Individual | \$350 Reception Only to Citizens for

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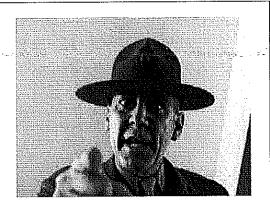
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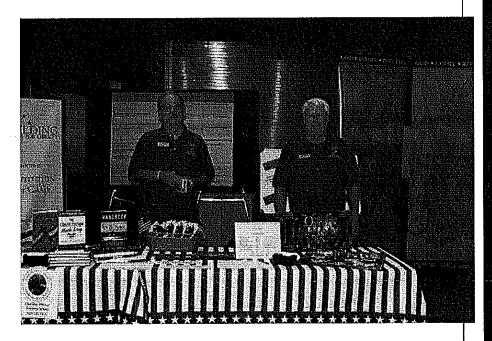
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Building Blocks for Liberty is the brainchild of Marines Jim Lewis and John Hindery.



Jim Lewis (left) and John Hindery (right)

In the United States Marine Corp, Jim and John spent four years defending the United States and

the Constitution they took an oath to uphold and protect. As American citizens, they became increasingly alarmed as they watched in astonishment the endless attacks on the liberties of Americans by an overreaching government. Determined to stop the daily barrage of misinformation, the two men decided to combine their love of history with a desire to educate the public the truth about the Constitution, and developed the unique teaching partnership now known as Building Blocks for Liberty.

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To date, BBFL has taught over 30 Constitution Boot Camps in southern Ohio, including Columbus, Xenia and Dayton, SE Indiana and Northern Kentucky. Using materials provided by BBFL, this class is now being taught as far away as Texas.

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# How Trump's health budget would impact states

Governing

Medicaid, children's health insurance and chronic disease programs would be first to feel the weight of the president's proposals.

### Wisconsin seeks to be first to drug test Medicaid applicants

Associated Press

Gov. Scott Walker wants to make Wisconsin the first state in the country to require childless adults applying for Medicaid to undergo drug screening, a move that could serve as a national model. **NCSL research cited.** 

# Lawsuit asks judge to block Kentucky's right-to-work law

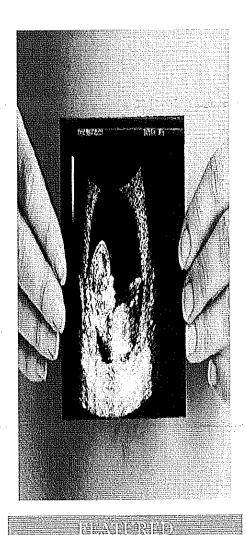
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Stateline

A variety of local officials, from conservative sheriffs in Texas to a liberal county executive in New Jersey, are embracing a vigorous form of local immigration enforcement.

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### Special Edition: The President's FY 2018 Budget

#### Overview

President Donald Trump's released his first full budget proposal of his presidency on May 23, 2017. The plan, A New Foundation for American Greatness, lays out his proposals for fiscal year 2018 and the following decade. FY 2018 weighs in at \$4.1 trillion. Over 10 years, the budget proposes about \$3.6 trillion of deficit reduction, including \$1.5 trillion from largely unspecified discretionary cuts, \$2.8 trillion in net mandatory cuts (a figure that presumes repeal of the Affordable Care Act), and \$300 billion in interest savings.

Through a mix of growth projections, which most economists believe are overly optimistic, combined with the assumption that a tax reform plan will manage to reduce tax rates while remaining revenue-neutral, the president's budget sets a fiscal goal of balancing by 2027 and lowering the debt burden to 60 percent of gross domestic product. In regards to the rosy budget forecast, the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget stated that "Exaggerated growth assumptions in presidential budgets are an age-old tradition, but this budget takes it to new levels, assuming we reach 3 percent growth, a full percentage point above what the Congressional Budget Office forecasts."

As a president's budget is essentially D.O.A. in Congress, the document is largely a signal of policy priorities and sets the tone of the president's agenda. In this regard, the budget demonstrates policy priorities that the president made clear on the campaign trail, by 1) increasing defense spending, 2) preserving Social Security and Medicare funding, 3) providing funds for a wall along the southern border, and 4) repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

The ambitious fiscal proposal now heads to a severely divided Congress, which has just over four months to come to an agreement before FY 2018 begins on Oct. 1. The document below outlines key state programs that were changed in the proposed budget.

A PDF version of the current NCSL policies on budgets and revenue can be found here.

#### A New Foundation for American Greatness

NCSL Summary, Prepared by: Max Behlke, Jake Lestock, NCSL Washington D.C.

#### Agriculture

Department of Agriculture: \$137 billion (-11.9%)

Decreases discretionary funding of the department by \$16.4 billion, or 11.9 percent, over the 2017 enacted level. Reduces rural development funds by 26 percent and eliminates funding for the local food promotion program that was created as part of the 2014 Farm Bill. Caps subsidies to crop insurance premiums, which would save \$16.2 billion over 10 years.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

The budget proposes a suite of legislative proposals aimed at targeting SNAP benefits to the needlest households, and encouraging work among able-bodied adults without dependents. The budget proposes establishing a state match for benefit costs, phasing in from a national average of 10 percent in 2020 to 25 percent, on average by 2023. Combined, this would generate nearly \$191 billion in savings over 10 years.

#### Commerce

Department of Commerce: \$7.8 billion (-16%)

Decreases funding of the department by \$1.4 billion, or 16 percent, compared to the 2017 enacted level. The budget prioritizes enforcement and compliance of our existing trade laws, creating 29 new positions at the International Trade Administration.

#### Defense

Department of Defense: \$639 billion (+9%)

Increases funding for the department by \$52 billion, or 9 percent, compared to the 2017 spending. The budget's proposed \$1.4 trillion reduction of nondefense discretionary spending over 10 years was partially offset by a sizable increase in defense discretionary spending. The largest increase in spending is due to the repeal of the defense sequester and by raising the cap on defense spending, which will increase defense spending by roughly \$470 billion over 10 years. The budget increases spending for military construction spending across the Department of Defense by 25 percent, rising from \$7.8 billion in the current year to \$9.8 billion next year.

#### Education

Department of Education: \$59 billion (-13.5%)

Decreases funding of the department by \$9.2 billion, or 13.5 percent, compared to the 2017 enacted level.

- Eliminates the \$2.3 billion Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants program, which is
  used for teacher training and class-size reduction.
- Eliminates the \$1.2 billion 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers program, which supports after-school programs.
- Eliminates the \$190 million Striving Readers/Comprehensive Literacy Development Grants
  program.

#### **School Choice**

- Increases Title I funding by \$1 billion for a new grant program, Furthering Options for Children to Unlock Success (FOCUS), which would provide supplemental awards to school districts that adopt a system of student-based funding formulas and open enrollment.
- Provides \$250 million for the Education Innovation Research (EIR) program for vouchers for low-income students to attend private schools.
- Increases funding of the Charter School Grants program by \$167 million.

#### Student Loans

- Ends federal subsidies for student loan interest, amounting to a \$1 billion reduction in FY
- Simplifies student loan repayment plans. Currently, students can choose between standard
  repayment (a 10-year term), graduated, extended, pay-as-you-earn, income-based, incomecontingent and public service loan forgiveness. These would be replaced with one
  repayment plan, capping payments at 12.5 percent of a borrower's discretionary income.
   Student loans would be forgiven after 15 years for undergraduate borrowers.
- Eliminates the public service loan forgiveness program, which allows individuals who have worked for the government for at least 10 years to have their loans erased.

#### **Pell Grants**

 The proposal would make Pell Grants, a form of tuition aid for low-income students, available in the summer in addition to its current availability in the spring and fall. The most recent funding measure passed by Congress for 2017 also contained this provision. **DYK?** More than 20 towns claim to be the Memorial Day holiday's "birthplace"—but only one has federal recognition.

Boalsburg, Penn., bases its claim on an 1864 gathering of women to mourn those recently killed at Gettysburg. In Carbondale, III., they're certain that they were first, thanks to an 1866 parade led, in part, by John Logan who two years later would lead the charge for an official holiday. There are even two dueling Columbus challengers (one in Mississippi, the other in Georgia) who have battled it out for Memorial Day supremacy for decades.

Only one town, however, has received the official seal of approval from the U.S. government. In 1966, 100 years after the town of Waterloo, N.Y., shuttered its businesses and took to the streets for the first of many continuous, community wide celebrations, President Lyndon Johnson signed legislation, recently passed by the U.S. Congress, declaring the tiny upstate village the "official" birthplace of Memorial Day.

#### Energy

Department of Energy: \$28 Billion (-6%)

Decreases funding of the department by \$1.7 billion, or 6 percent, compared to the 2017 enacted level.

- Eliminates the <u>Weatherization Assistance Program</u>, and the <u>State Energy Program Grant</u>, both of which were funded at \$228 million, and \$70 million, respectively in 2017.
- Eliminates the <u>Advanced Research Project Agency-Energy</u> (ARPA-E) program, which was allocated \$290 million in FY 2017.
- Reduces funding for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, which oversees
  DOE's regulatory role in setting efficiency standards for appliances and buildings and
  supports research in clean energy technologies, to \$636 million in FY 2018 from over \$2
  billion in FY 2017.
- Reduces funding for the Nuclear Energy Office by 30 percent from FY 2017.
- Unlike the FY 2017 budget, the proposal includes \$90 million to restart licensing activities for the Yucca Mountain nuclear waste repository, and to initiate an interim storage program.
- Reduces the <u>Strategic Petroleum Reserve</u> by half, which estimates that it will reduce the deficit by \$16.5 billion over 10 years.

Repeals state payments authorized under the <u>2006 Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act</u>,
which allows states a share of drilling royalties generated in federal waters off their costs.
 The provision anticipates that it will lower the deficit by \$3.5 billion within 10 years.

#### Environment

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): \$5.7 Billion (-31.4%)

Decreases funding of the agency by \$2.5 billion, or 31.4 percent, compared to the 2017 enacted level.

- Reduces \$597 million in funding, or 45 percent of categorical grants allocated to states that
  fund state environmental program offices and activities related to the <u>Clean Air Act</u>, <u>Clean</u>
  Water Act, and <u>Safe Drinking Water Act</u>.
- Funding for air quality management programs, which includes the agency's air toxics
  program and support for the development of state implementation plans, will be reduced by
  24 percent from \$132 million in FY 2017 to \$100.4 million in FY 2018.
- State Revolving Funds, which provide low-interest loans for water infrastructure projects, are
  proposed to be modestly expanded by less than a 1 percent.
- The Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance would see its funding reduced by
  nearly 24 percent to \$419 million in FY 2018. Funding for EPA's <u>Hazardous Substance</u>
  <u>Superfund Account</u> sees a request of \$762 million, a significant decrease from the \$1 billion in FY 2018.
- Eliminates the EPA's geographic programs such as the <u>Great Lakes Restoration Initiative</u> and the <u>Chesapeake Bay Program</u> in FY 2018, delegating protection and restoration activities to states and localities.

#### Department of Interior: \$11.7 Billion (-10.9%)

Decreases funding of the department by \$1.5 billion, or 10.9 percent, over the 2017 enacted level.

- Funds the Bureau of Land Management at \$1.1 billion, a \$200 million decrease from FY
   2017
- Funds the Fish and Wildlife Service at \$1.3 billion, a reduction of \$200 million
- Funds the National Park Service at \$2.55 billion, a reduction of nearly \$360 million from FY 2017.
- Eliminates the FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund.

**DYK?** On Jan. 8, 1835, all the big political names in Washington gathered to celebrate what President Andrew Jackson had just accomplished. A senator rose to make the big announcement: "Gentlemen ... the national debt ... is PAID." That was the one time in U.S. history when the country was debt free. It lasted exactly one year.

#### **Health and Human Services**

Department of Health and Human Services: \$69 Billion (-18%)

Decreases funding of the department by \$15 billion, or 18 percent, compared to the 2017 enacted level.

#### Medicaid

- Reduces spending in the Medicaid program by \$617 billion over 10 years, which does not include the possible additional savings that would result in repeal and replacement of the Affordable Care.
- Provides states the option of a per capita cap or a block grant funding mechanism beginning
   FY 2020.
- Proposes a new initiative, the Medicaid Direct Primary Care (DPC), which is intended to
  provide an enhanced focus on direct physician-patient relationships through enrolling
  Medicaid patients in DPC practices.

#### Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

- Extends CHIP by an additional two years, through fiscal year (FY) 2019.
- Eliminates the 23 percent increase in the enhanced federal match rate and the current law maintenance of effort requirement after FY 2017.
- Caps the level at which states could receive the CHIP enhanced federal matching rate at 250 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL).
- Under current law, states are required to transition children ages 6 to 18 in families with incomes between 100 and 133 percent off the federal poverty level (FPL) off-of CHIP to Medicaid. This proposal allows states to move these children back into CHIP.

#### **Child Welfare Programs**

Decreases funding of child welfare programs by \$9 million for a total of \$316 million

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

- Reduces the TANF State and Territory Family Assistance Grants by \$2.2 billion to \$15.1 billion.
- Eliminates the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Contingency Fund, saving \$6
   billion over 10 years.

#### **Food and Nutrition**

- Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)
   Provides \$6.2 billion, or a \$200 million reduction, to serve all projected participants in WIC.
- SNAP Retailer Application Fee

The budget proposes establishment of an application fee for retailers seeking authorization to accept and redeem the electronic benefits provided by the SNAP, formerly Food Stamps. This proposal is estimated to generate approximately \$2.4 billion in revenue over 10 years to offset SNAP expenses.

#### **Program Elimination in HHS**

- Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
   Eliminates funding for the LIHEAP program in FY 2018.
- Community Services Programs
   Discontinues funding for the Community Services Block Grant and the Community Economic Development, Rural Community Facilities, and Assets for Independence Programs.
- Social Services Block Grant
   Eliminates funding for the Social Services Block Grant. In FY 2018.

#### **Homeland Security**

Department of Homeland Security: \$44.1 Billion (+7%)

Increases funding of the department by \$2.8 billion, or 7 percent, over the 2017 enacted level.

- Increases funding for cybersecurity by \$594 million to \$971 million.
- Provides \$1.6 billion in funding for a border wall.
- Provides \$2.1 billion for various grant program to assist states in preventing and recovering from acts of terrorism and other "catastrophic events."

- Provides \$7.4 billion in funding for the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA)
   Disaster Relief Fund to assist states in dealing with domestic major disasters and emergencies, a decrease of \$23 million from the FY 2017 annualized continuing resolution.
- Eliminates or reduces state and local grant funding by \$667 million for programs administered by FEMA that are either unauthorized by the Congress, such as FEMA's Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program, or that must provide more measurable results and ensure the federal government is not supplanting other stakeholders' responsibilities, such as the Homeland Security Grant Program. For that reason, the budget also proposes establishing a 25 percent non-federal cost match for FEMA preparedness grant awards that currently require no cost match.
- Increases funding for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) by 29.4 percent.
   Total appropriation of \$7.9 billion reflects an increase from \$6.1 billion:
  - \$975.5 million for border security and surveillance.
  - \$100 million for 20,000 new border patrol positions.
  - \$185.9 million for expanded ICE enforcement activities.
  - \$484 million for transportation costs of detainees.
  - \$131.5 for E-verify operations (this program was eliminated in the Obama Administration).

#### Department of Justice: \$27.7 Billion (-4%)

Decreases funding for the department by \$1.1 billion, or 4 percent, compared to the 2017 enacted level.

#### State and local law enforcement funding:

- Decreases funding for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants Program from \$385.5 million to \$332.5 million.
- Eliminates the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program, which was funded at \$193 million in 2017
- Decreases funding of the Second Chance Act/Offender Re-entry from \$59 million to \$48 million.
- Retains \$45 million in funding for the Victims of Trafficking program.
- Proposes \$20 million in new funding for a Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program.
- Increases funding for Concerns of Police Survivors from \$201 million to \$218 million.
- Increases funding for Violence Against Women from \$182 million to \$215 million.
- Decreases funding for Juvenile Justice from \$270 million to \$230 million.

There are also provisions in the budget proposal that seek to expand the definition of sanctuary jurisdictions and require states and localities to comply with Department of Homeland Security detainers that are currently not in statute.

#### **Labor & Economic Development**

Department of Labor: \$9.6 Billion (-21%)

The FY 2018 request of \$9.7 billion for the department is a 21 percent reduction from 2017.

Unemployment Insurance/Paid Parental Leave

Establishes a paid parental leave benefit within the unemployment insurance (UI) program to provide six weeks of paid family leave to new mothers and fathers, including adoptive parents, at a cost of \$18.5 billion over 10 years.

Apprenticeships

Invests \$89.8 million in apprenticeships, an evidence-based approach to job training in efforts to close the skills gap.

Senior Community Service Employment Program

Eliminates the Senior Community Service Employment Program, a program created to transition seniors into unsubsidized employment, for a savings of \$433.5 million.

Department of Housing and Urban Development: \$40.68 billion (-13%)

Reduces funding of the department by 13 percent. The proposed reductions would be implemented primarily through rental assistance reforms and eliminating funding for programs.

#### **Veterans Affairs**

Department of Veterans Affairs: \$78.9 billion (+6%)

Increases funding of the department by \$4.4 billion, or 5.8 percent, over the 2017 enacted level. Adds \$4.4 billion in new funding to expand health services and modernize VA's benefit claims system and other services.

#### **Transportation**

Department of Transportation (DOT): \$16.2 billion (-13%)

Decreases funding of the department by \$3.1 billion, or 13 percent, compared to the 2017 enacted level.

- Funding for the <u>Highway Trust Fund</u> would match the amount authorized by the <u>2015 FAST</u>
   <u>Act</u>, including \$44 billion in highway formula funding and \$11 billion in transit formula funding.
- Provides \$1.2 billion for transit, a reduction of 50 percent from FY 2017.
- Eliminates funds for TIGER grants, which are currently funded at \$500 million.
- Amtrak funding would be reduced by approximately 50 percent to \$774 million in FY 2018 from \$1.5 billion in FY 2017.

#### Infrastructure Initiative

One noteworthy item included in the budget is a proposal to spend an additional \$200 billion over nine years on "infrastructure." The proposal includes \$5 billion in funding in FY 2018, which would increase to \$25 billion in 2019, \$40 billion in 2020 and \$50 billion in 2021 before declining back down to zero by FY 2027. However, the budget does not provide specifics as to how such funds would be appropriated—existing funding mechanisms or something new.

Budget's <u>fact sheet on the administration's infrastructure initiative</u>. The document described the administration's belief that the current system of federal funding is not working. Although it does not

define infrastructure, the document mentions infrastructure systems covering transportation, drinking water and wastewater, energy, veterans affairs and inland waterways.

#### U.S. Army Corps of Engineers: \$5 billion (-16%)

Decreases funding for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers by \$1 billion, or 16 percent, compared to the 2017 enacted level. use.

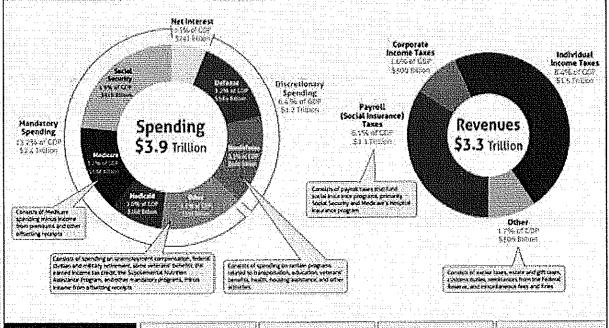
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The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) graphic below shows the federal government's revenues and spending in 2016.



In 2016, the budget deficit rose for the first time in a number of years, totaling \$587 billion—about one-third more than the \$438 billion shortfall recorded in 2015. As a percentage of GDP, the deficit increased from 2.4 percent in 2015 to 3.2 percent, the first such increase since 2009.

Debt held by the public reached 77 percent of GDP at the end of 2016, marking the highest ratio since 1950. Such a high level of debt (and the increases projected under current law) could have serious negative consequences for the nation, including increasing federal spending on interest payments, restraining economic growth in the long term, giving policymakers less flexibility to respond to unexpected challenges, and eventually increasing the risk of a fiscal crisis.



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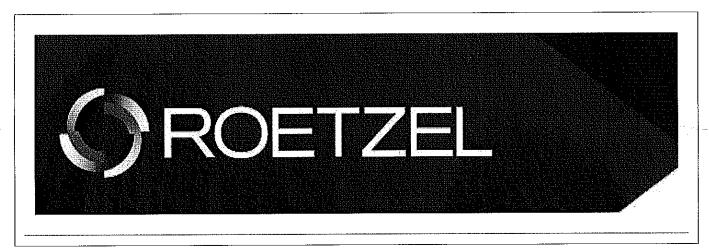
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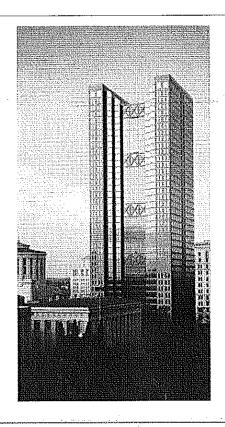


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New airport proposed for SW Ohio (Cincinnati Enquirer, 6/2/2017)

An international airport in Ravenna? Ohio Rep. Jim Butler pitches idea in new bill (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 6/2/2017)

Jon Husted says GOP leaders in 29 counties back his bid for governor (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 6/2/2017)

Ken Harbaugh, former naval pilot and nonprofit executive, to challenge U.S. Rep. Bob Gibbs in 2018 (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 6/2/2017)

National utility workers union endorses Joe Schiavoni for Ohio governor (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 6/2/2017)

Ohio GOP Senate primary heats up quickly: Ohio Politics Roundup (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 6/2/2017)

Democratic leaders rally for funds at Senate forum (Columbus Dispatch, 6/2/2017)

Mary Taylor talks about her sons' opiate addiction (Columbus Dispatch, 6/2/2017)

Ohio lawsuit may yet include drug distributors (Columbus Dispatch, 6/2/2017)

Effort to change how Ohio draws districts for Congress underway (Dayton Daily News, 6/2/2017)

Five steps Ohio has taken to combat the deadly opioid addiction crisis (Dayton Daily News, 6/2/2017)

Husted lines up county party official endorsements (Dayton Daily News, 6/2/2017)

Sen. Brown: 'Hold drug companies accountable' for opioid crisis (Dayton Daily News, 6/2/2017)

Social media reacts to Lt. Gov. Mary Taylor opening up about how opioid addiction hit home (Dayton Daily News, 6/2/2017)

Dems seek public's help on Ohio budget (Toledo Blade, 6/2/2017)

Ohio GOP holds local fund-raiser (Toledo Blade, 6/2/2017)

State Sen. Joe Schiavoni picks up first national labor union endorsement in Ohio governor's race (Youngstown Vindicator, 6/2/2017)

#### **EDITORIALS**

What a dismissal in Cleveland says about the value of police consent decrees (Akron Beacon Journal, 6/2/2017)

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Editorial: Opioid epidemic out of control in Ohio (Canton Repository, 6/2/2017)

Outside America, others see President Trump for the mean, small man he really is: Brent Larkin (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 6/2/2017)

When politics is a craft (Toledo Blade, 6/2/2017)

Adjudicate swiftly lawsuit against makers of opiates (Youngstown Vindicator, 6/2/2017)

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### **HOUSE E-CLIPS**

6/2/2017



#### OHIO WANTS INVALIDATION OF SOME ACT TEST SCORES RECONSIDERED

The state wants a company that provides college-entrance exams to reconsider its invalidation of students' scores in some Ohio school districts.

#### UTILITY WORKERS' UNION BACKS DEMOCRAT SCHIAVONI FOR GOVERNOR

Democratic state Sen. Joe Schiavoni has scored the first endorsement of a national labor union in the 2018 primary for governor.

#### US SENATE CANDIDATE MET WITH QUICK \$250K, ABORTION PUSHBACK

A Cleveland banker reports raising \$250,000 in his U.S. Senate campaign's first 24 hours, even as he scrambles to clarify his abortion stance.

#### **OHIO'S LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR REVEALS SONS' OPIOID ADDICTIONS**

Ohio's lieutenant governor revealed Thursday that her two sons have struggled with opioid addiction, adding her family to the thousands affected by the nation's prescription painkiller and heroin epidemic.

### The Columbus Dispatch

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#### **OHIO LAWSUIT MAY YET INCLUDE DRUG DISTRIBUTORS**

Ohio is going after drug manufacturers to help clean up the state's deadly opioid epidemic, but major drug distributors — including Cardinal Health of Dublin — are not part of Ohio's current legal action.

#### **DEMOCRATIC LEADERS RALLY FOR FUNDS AT SENATE FORUM**

Dozens of Democratic statewide leaders and progressive advocates gathered at the Statehouse on Thursday for a number of issues-based panel discussions intended to influence the state's upcoming budget.

THE DAILY BRIEFING: SENATE EYES CHANGES TO MEDICAID, SCHOOL FUNDING

Among its budget changes, the Ohio Senate is not expected to force the Kasich administration to ask permission before spending any money on Medicaid expansion, and is looking to reduce the number of schools facing funding cuts.

#### **EDITORIAL: CORONER'S OFFICE UNDER MICROSCOPE**

The administration of the office of Franklin County Coroner Anahi Ortiz appears to have slid off the rails and her relationship with key county allies has publicly frayed. She needs to stay out of political fights and attend to her office.

## **Dayton Daily News**

www.daytondallynews.com

#### EFFORT TO CHANGE HOW OHIO DRAWS DISTRICTS FOR CONGRESS UNDERWAY

A coalition of groups seeking to end the congressional "gerrymandering" they believe creates unfair federal elections in Ohio launched a petition drive on Thursday to put a reform proposal on the November ballot.

#### INVALIDATED ACT TEST SCORES COULD HARM OHIO STUDENTS

About 1,300 students in Ohio, including some from a local district, had their ACT test scores invalidated, potentially harming young people who plan to apply for college this fall.

#### **HUSTED LINES UP COUNTY PARTY OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENTS**

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted today announced a slew of endorsements from county Republican Party leaders in his bid for Ohio governor.

### THE PLAIN DEALER

# AN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN RAVENNA? OHIO REP. JIM BUTLER PITCHES IDEA IN NEW BILL

Picture it: two new mega airports, one in place of mostly farmland, between Ravenna and I-80, and the other southwest of Columbus, near the Jefferson outlet mall at I-71 and U.S. Route 35.

# NATIONAL UTILITY WORKERS UNION ENDORSES JOE SCHIAVONI FOR OHIO GOVERNOR

Joe Schiavoni has landed a national union endorsement in the 2018 Democratic gubernatorial primary.

#### OHIO GOP SENATE PRIMARY HEATS UP QUICKLY: OHIO POLITICS ROUNDUP

The newly minted Republican Ohio Senate primary got interesting fast. Mary Taylor opens up about an issue that affects too many Ohio families. And Youngstown gets a Trump shoutout in an international policy announcement.

## THE BLADE

#### **DEMS SEEK PUBLIC'S HELP ON OHIO BUDGET**

Lacking the votes to go it alone, Ohio Senate Democrats on Thursday held a forum hoping to enlist the public's help in their uphill battle to influence the state's next two-year budget.

#### **EDITORIAL: WHEN POLITICS IS A CRAFT**

The bill the Ohio House passed in the last week of May to regulate fantasy sports shows a level of legislative craftsmanship Ohioans should be able to take for granted, but unfortunately usually cannot.

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At Greater Ohio Policy Center, we monitor the news daily to learn more about the sustainable growth initiatives and related developments in our state and beyond that affect Ohio. Below are articles that caught our attention over the last few weeks, and we thought they might interest you as well. If you have an article you would like to share with us, please email it to Alex Highley at ahighley@greaterohio.org.

Thank you,

The Greater Ohio Policy Center Staff

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#### **GOPC** in the News

#### The Vicious Cycle of Retail's Decline

Springfield, OHIO-The Upper Valley Mall here used to be a place that drew in shoppers. Now it looks like

a fortress designed to keep them out.

The Atlantic - 5/23/2017

Reporter Alana Samuels

#### **Budget & Appropriations**

#### Toledo finds another \$4M for budget

The city of Toledo has even more money to spend on capital projects — marking the third time the municipal budget has had an infusion of unexpected cash this year that can be used to fix crumbing streets.

Toledo Blade - 6/1/2017 Reporter Ignazio Messina

### Cities

#### A Road Trip Through Rusting and Rising America

OAK RIDGE, Tenn. — In his dystopian Inaugural Address, President Trump painted a picture of America as a nation gripped by vast "carnage" — a landscape of "rusted-out factories scattered like tombstones" that cried out for a strongman to put "America first" and stop the world from stealing our jobs.

New York Times - 5/24/2017

Reporter Thomas L. Friedman

#### Many Ohio metros continue to struggle from recession

Expect most of Ohio's metropolitan areas to fall further behind central Ohio in job and population growth in the coming years.

Columbus Dispatch - 5/30/2017

Reporter Mark Williams

### **Economic & Workforce Development**

#### New groups tapped to bolster Franklin County job training

An abandoned building in the King-Lincoln district will soon become a new hub for workforce development and entrepreneurship programs through the Columbus Urban League, one of four agencies

set to take over employment services that had long been provided by the Central Ohio Workforce Investment Corp.

Columbus Dispatch - 5/24/2017

Reporter Rita Price

#### Workforce development officials: Labor market 'strong' in Allen County

LIMA — As he had done for the last several weeks, Anthony Cook Jr. spent a full day at school and then headed to Bluffton for a few more hours of education.

Lima News - 5/22/2017

Reporter John Bush

#### **Housing & Urban Revitalization**

#### Hamilton to clamp down on chronic nuisance properties

Hamilton officials are steadily moving toward approving chronic nuisance legislation that would allow them to fine owners of properties where police and fire calls are too common, and where criminal activity lowers quality of life for the neighborhood.

Hamilton Journal News - 5/22/2017

Reporter Mike Rutledge

#### Historic downtown Urbana site seeks tax credits for \$222K renovation

A historic, vacant building in the heart of downtown Urbana might get new life if tax credits are approved by the state. The building that once housed Little Nashville, a bar just south of the roundabout, has been empty for two years and investor John Doss with Dye and Doss Insurance wants to change that.

Springfield News Sun - 5/29/2017

Reporter Parker Perry

# Old Akron buildings are new again thanks to historic preservation that earns recognition

Dan Sarvis stands on an old wood floor in one of Akron's newest urban apartment buildings — in a restored old tire factory near downtown.

Akron Beacon Journal - 5/31/2017

Reporter Katie Byard

#### Youngstown gets \$200K federal grant to redevelop vacant properties

YOUNGSTOWN — The city will receive a \$200,000 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency grant to redevelop vacant properties.

Youngstown Vindicator – 5/31/2017

#### **Local Government**

#### County faces serious cuts

Scioto County may be facing a loss of an estimated \$2.1 million in revenue, and commissioners are fighting to save or replace these funds.

Portsmouth Daily Times - 6/1/2017

Reporter Nikki Blankenship

#### Visit Canton awards grants to local tourism businesses

Local, not-for-profit organization that promotes tourism to Stark County funds marketing campaigns to draw out-of-town visitors.

Canton Repository - 5/24/2017

Reporter Robert Wang

#### Sewer & Water Infrastructure

#### Springfield leader wants lifetime warranty on hazardous waste cleanup

City Commissioner Kevin O'Neill wants a "lifetime warranty" that hazardous waste from the Tremont City Barrel Fill site in-northern Clark County won't affect Springfield's drinking water. After years of advocating for an extensive, \$56 million cleanup plan, community activists are now backing a new version of a cleanup plan dubbed 9a that would cost an estimated \$24 million.

Springfield News Sun - 6/1/2017

Reporter Michael Cooper

#### Drainage project cost rises

Replacing an aging sewer line will increase the cost of the drainage project around the Hancock County Courthouse.

The Findlay Courier - 5/24/2017

#### Reporter Jim Maurer

#### State grant funding helps with water systems

ZANESVILLE - The City of Zanesville and Muskingum County will receive grant money from the Residential Public Infrastructure Program funded by the Community Development Block Grant program for local projects.

Zanesville Times Recorder - 5/22/2017

#### The scary story about how lead gets into drinking water

The water crisis in Flint, Mich., officially began on April 25, 2014. That's the date the city's water supply was switched from Lake Huron to the Flint River. What was supposed to be a cost-saving measure soon turned into a nightmare for residents. But Virginia Tech professor Marc Edwards can trace the story back a decade earlier, and to a different city: Washington.

Washington Post - 5/28/2017 Reporter Vicky Hallett

#### **Taxation**

# Both houses eye reform legislation aimed at addressing skyrocketing farmland property tax bills

The Ohio Senate has passed legislation aimed at addressing skyrocketing farmland property tax bills.

Youngstown Vindicator - 5/21/2017

Reporter Marc Kovac

### **Transportation**

#### Lorain County veterans can get help with benefits, transportation

Lorain County veterans have a helping hand in a county office that can help with benefit applications, transportation and financial assistance.

Lorain Morning Journal - 5/30/2017 Reporter Richard Payerchin

TARTA board to ask voters permission for new half-percent sales tax

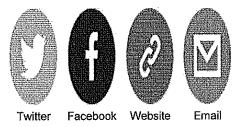
Existing \$2.5M property tax would be eliminated under new plan  $\begin{tabular}{l} \textbf{Toledo Blade} - 6/1/2017 \\ \textbf{Reporter Tom Troy} \end{tabular}$ 

#### The Phantom Infrastructure Proposal in Trump's Budget

The president promised to pour a \$1 trillion into rebuilding the nation's roads and bridges. His proposal sets aside just \$200 billion, with the details still to come.

The Atlantic - 5/24/2017

Reporter Russell Berman



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# Representative Derek Merrin 47th District

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Representative Derek Merrin

DATE:

June 2, 2017

RE:

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State employees receive 10 sick days per year, while many local government employees receive an excessive 15 sick days per year (3 weeks). This legislation makes 10 sick days per year the standard across the board - impacting county, municipal, civil service township, school district, and university employees. This will help create fairness between state and local government employees. The bill contains a provision that restricts collective bargaining agreements from requiring local governments to provide more than the state mandated number of 10 sick days annually.

By forcing local governments/taxpayers to provide an excessive number of sick days, the state is driving-up local governments' costs. You will be hard pressed to find any private-

sector business that provides 15 sick days annually. Also, government employees receive additional, generous amounts of personal days and vacation leave. The legislature created this excessive mandate and it is time for us to fix it. Please join with me to support a reasonable standard and provide relief to our local governments.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation or have any questions, please contact my Legislative Aide, Blake Springhetti, at <u>Blake.Springhetti@ohiohouse.gov</u> or at (614) 466-1731 by **Tuesday**, **June 13**.

Sincerely, Derek Merrin



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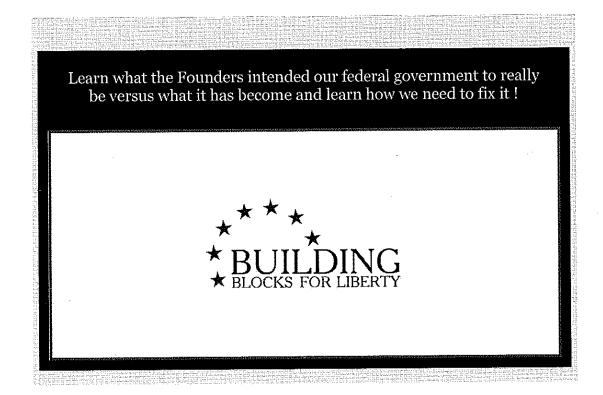
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We have been looking for the proper venue to hold a class in Hamilton County and with the folks at EmpowerU stepping up, we have found it!

For those who live on the Westside of Cincinnati, this will be a good opportunity to attend one of our classes. Kids, give your Dad a class **AND** you attend with him for his Father's Day present! Sign up today!

Building Blocks for Liberty presents our **33rd** Constitution Boot Camp at the EmpowerU studio with lunch provided by American's for Prosperity. The Boot Camp is a six-hour workshop, with a break for lunch, which outlines the key concepts and ideas of the Constitution in simple, easy to understand terms. It is appropriate for teenage students and older.

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- What is the difference between a Republic and a Democracy?
- How do you use the Federalist Papers to understand the U.S. Constitution?
- What is Nullification?

Boot Camp participants receive a binder with the presentation, 2 handbooks, The Federalist Papers and The Handbook For We the People, plus a pocket copy of the U.S. Constitution and LUNCH!

All for a donation of just \$25! Additional family members can attend for just \$5 each. We have a limited number of scholarships available for Students.

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Address: 225 Northland Blvd, Springdale, OH,

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Date: SATURDAY, June 17, 2017

Time: 10:00 AM to 4 PM

NOTE there is a time change for this class!

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<u>Directions To Boot Camp</u>

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# **HOUSE E-CLIPS**

6/5/2017



#### MARIJUANA BUSINESSES PREPARE TO APPLY FOR STATE LICENSES

Ohio officials are expecting a flood of applications for medical marijuana grower licenses.

#### OHIO EDUCATION CAMPAIGN URGES SAFER BICYCLING, WALKING

Two Ohio state agencies hope to reduce chronic health problems by getting more people to walk and bicycle safely.

# The Columbus Dispatch

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## HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS WOULD GET LEGAL RELIEF IN OHIO SENATE

#### **BILL**

Ohio victims of human trafficking might soon find legal relief from crimes they committed while being trafficked.

<u>CAPITOL INSIDER: THAT MIKE DEWINE QUOTE SURE SOUNDED FAMILIAR...</u>
Just sayin'...

## FRANKLIN COUNTY JUDGE RULES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN MICRO-WIRELESS EQUIPMENT DISPUTE

A Franklin County Common Pleas Court judge on Friday ruled in favor of a group of 50 cities and villages who challenged a portion of an Ohio law that stripped them of their rights to regulate the wireless-communications industry in their communities.

#### **EDITORIAL: BETTER PROTECT OHIO SENIORS**

We hope a special place in hell awaits those who would abuse or scam a senior citizen. But in the meantime, it would be nice to have better ways of alerting authorities before the elderly are drained of their life savings and slam heartless thieves with heftier fines.

#### EDITORIAL: DID BIG PHARMA GET OHIO ADDICTED?

America is awash in opioids.

# Dayton Daily News

#### MARY TAYLOR'S STORY SHINES SPOTLIGHT ON COST OF DRUG TREATMENT

Ohio political leaders and advocates for drug addiction services applauded Lt. Gov. Mary Taylor for going public with the story that both her sons have struggled from addiction to opioids and that one remains in treatment.

### **SOLUTIONS SOUGHT TO CURB OPIOID EPIDEMIC**

The Greater Dayton Area Hospital Association is leading an effort to create a one-stop crisis care center in Montgomery County to ease the current burden on hospital emergency rooms and the jail, which are overloaded with opioid addicts and those in need of mental health services.

# THE PLAIN DEALER

# DONALD TRUMP COULD BE HEADED TO OHIO ON WEDNESDAY AS PART OF INFRASTRUCTURE PUSH: OHIO POLITICS ROUNDUP

Donald Trump this week could be making his first appearance in Ohio since he becoming president. Jim Renacci gets support from a pro-Trump group in his quest to become Ohio's next governor. And Steve Dettelbach supports a move from a guy from the opposite party.

### DRUG PRICE CAP FIGHT INTENSIFIES AS ISSUE HEADS TO FALL BALLOT

Debate is heating up over an initiative headed to Ohio's fall ballot that backers say is aimed at controlling drug prices.

# PAYDAY LENDERS STILL SOAKING OHIOANS AS REFORM BILL LANGUISHES:

#### **THOMAS SUDDES**

Some people get better service than others at the Statehouse. In 1995, in just 65 days whiplash-fast - Ohio's House and Senate legalized payday lending.

## THE BLADE

## STATE GOP VETERANS, DEM NEWCOMERS EYE OHIO RACES

The Republican slate has largely fallen into place for Ohio's statewide elections in 2018, often with competing names that voters have seen many times before.

# POLITICS GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE WHALEY SAYS LOCAL COMMUNITIES

#### ARE LEFT OUT

Dayton Mayor Nan Whaley, a Democratic candidate for governor, is basing her campaign on repairing what she says is a broken relationship between the cities and Ohio's government, she said Friday in an interview with The Blade's editorial board.

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#### ALL CANDIDATES NEED OPIOID PLAN

4,149 overdose deaths. The number is staggering, heart-breaking.

#### THE VOTING-BLIGHTS CASE

The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to hear a case about the right of certain Ohioans to vote.

#### **ENGAGE DRUG MAKERS IN FIGHT**

Drug companies are not the enemy in Ohio's war on opioid addiction, but taking them to court might be the way to make them an ally.

# **The Vindicator**

# STATE SEN. JOE SCHIAVONI PICKS UP FIRST NATIONAL LABOR UNION ENDORSEMENT IN OHIO GOVERNOR'S RACE

The Utility Workers Union of America endorsed state Sen. Joe Schiavoni of Boardman, D-33rd, for governor in the 2018 race.

# NEWLY PROPOSED OHIO LEGISLATION STILL WOULDN'T PROTECT HOMEOWNER WHO KILLS WHEN NOT IN DANGER

A recently introduced bill would make it less complicated for people to defend themselves with a gun or other weapon, but it wouldn't give someone latitude to shoot because of an attack outside of their home.

# CantonRep.com

## GETTING LICENSE TO GROW MEDICINAL MARIJUANA NOT EASY

Ohio is still more than a year away from fully launching the new state program that will oversee medical marijuana use in the state.

### FIVE THINGS THAT HAPPENED AT THE STATEHOUSE

It was the calm before the storm during a shortened holiday week at the Statehouse, with the Ohio House and Senate not in session.

#### EDITORIAL: GIVE CAREFUL CONSIDERATION TO LATEST FIREWORKS BILL

A month from now, our neighborhoods will illuminate with the glow of bottle rockets and Roman candles. Booms and bangs will echo across the land as we celebrate Independence Day

#### EDITORIAL: TIME TO RAISE STARK'S BED TAX

If state Rep. Kirk Schuring has his way and a provision allowing Stark County to double its bed tax becomes law, county commissioners should act quickly and decisively given the opportunity.

From: Sue Swayze Liebel

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Subject: Meet SBA List at ALEC in Denver on July 20th



### SAVE THE DATE!

Pro-Life Morning Reception in Denver July 20th at 9:00 am

Will you be attending the <u>ALEC annual meeting\*</u> in Denver in July? (PS - <u>early bird registration</u> for ALEC ends today!)

Please join Hon. Marilyn Musgrave for a pro-life networking opportunity and continental breakfast for women office holders who advance the cause of life.

Watch for special guests and hosts to be announced soon.

Thursday, July 20 9:00 - 10:30 am

Hyatt Regency Denver, Room Capitol 3 650 15th Street, Denver, CO

This pro-life networking event is designed to energize and equip you for leadership and engagement in the most important civil rights battle of our lifetime -- Life!

RSVP to sswayzeliebel@sba-list.org

# Sponsored by the Susan B. Anthony List's <u>National Pro-Life Women's Caucus</u> (\*not associated with the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC))

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# 132ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO

# **HOUSE CALENDAR**

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 7, 2017 - 1:30 PM

#### **Bills for Third Consideration**

#### Sub. S. B. No. 25 - Senator Hottinger

Cosponsors: Senators Coley, Bacon, Balderson, Dolan, Eklund, Gardner, Hoagland, Skindell, Thomas, Yuko Representatives Manning, Rezabek, Conditt, Rogers

To amend sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, 1901.312, 1901.34, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code and to amend Section 729.10 of Am. Sub. H.B. 483 of the 130th General Assembly, as subsequently amended, to create the Perry County Municipal Court in New Lexington on January 1, 2018, to establish one full-time judgeship in that court, to provide for the nomination of the judge by petition only, to abolish the Perry County Courty Court on that date, to designate the Perry County Clerk of Courts as the clerk of the Perry County Municipal Court, to provide for the election for the Perry County Municipal Court of one full-time judge in 2017, to modify the provisions regarding the membership of the Criminal Justice Recodification Committee, and to declare an emergency.

(House committee on Criminal Justice recommends passage, see House Journal, March 22, 2017, p. 260.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, February 15, 2017, p. 148.)

(Senate committee on Judiciary recommends substitute bill for passage, see Senate Journal, February 14, 2017, p. 131.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 46 - Representative Sprague

Cosponsors: Representatives Arndt, Blessing, Dean, Henne, Schaffer, Seitz, Dever, Brenner

To amend section 135.35 of the Revised Code to modify the qualifications regarding notes eligible for investment of county inactive moneys.

(Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing, and Urban Development recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, April 26, 2017, p. 357.)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 68 - Representative Anielski

Cosponsors: Representatives Becker, Vitale, Riedel, Greenspan, Scherer,
Blessing, Dean, Lipps, Ashford, Sprague, Boccieri, Fedor, Leland, Rogers,
Sweeney, Manning, Celebrezze, Conditt, Galonski

To amend sections 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2929.13, and 2929.14 of the Revised Code to include conduct involving an impaired person within the offenses of pandering obscenity involving a minor, pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor, and illegal use of a minor in a nudity-oriented material or performance.

(Committee on Criminal Justice recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, May 24, 2017, p. 503.)

# (Bills or resolutions below the black line have been recommended for passage or adoption by designated committees)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 2 - Representative Seitz

To amend sections 2315.18, 2315.21, 4112.01, 4112.02, 4112.04, 4112.05, 4112.08, 4112.14, and 4112.99; to amend, for the purpose of adopting new section numbers as indicated in parentheses, sections 4712.051 (4112.055) and 4112.052 (4112.056); and to enact new sections 4112.051 and 4112.052 and section 4112.054 of the Revised Code to modify Ohio civil rights laws related to employment.

(Committee on Economic Development, Commerce, and Labor recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, May 10, 2017, p. 449.)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 35 – Representative Hughes

Cosponsors: Representatives Patton, Lipps, Antani, Blessing, Faber, Schaffer, Hambley, Sprague, Boccieri, Seitz, Dever, Brenner, Leland

To amend sections 102.02, 109.572, 111.15, 119.01, 121.07, 131.11, 135.03, 135.032, 135.32, 135.321, 135.51, 135.52, 135.53, 323.134, 339.06, 513.17, 749.081, 755.141, 902.01, 924.10, 924.26, 924.45, 1101.01, 1101.02, 1101.03, 1101.15, 1101.16, 1103.01, 1103.02, 1103.03, 1103.06, 1103.07, 1103.08, 1103.09, 1103.11, 1103.13, 1103.14, 1103.15, 1103.16, 1103.18, 1103.19, 1103.20, 1103.21, 1105.01, 1105.02, 1105.03, 1105.04, 1105.08, 1105.10, 1105.11, 1107.03, 1107.05, 1107.07, 1107.09, 1107.11, 1107.13, 1107.15, 1109.01, 1109.02, 1109.03, 1109.05, 1109.08, 1109.10, 1109.15, 1109.16, 1109.17, 1109.22, 1109.23, 1109.24, 1109.25, 1109.26, 1109.31, 1109.32, 1109.33, 1109.34, 1109.35, 1109.36, 1109.39, 1109.40, 1109.43, 1109.44, 1109.45, 1109.47, 1109.48, 1109.49, 1109.53, 1109.54, 1109.55, 1109.59, 1109.61, 1109.63, 1109.64, 1109.65, 1109.69, 1111.01, 1111.02, 1111.03, 1111.04, 1111.06, 1111.07, 1111.08, 1111.09, 1113.01, 1113.03, 1113.05, 1113.06,

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1901.31, 2335.25, 3351.07, 3767.41, 4303.293, and 5814.01; to amend, for the
purpose of adopting new section numbers as indicated in parentheses, sections
1103.01 (1113.01), 1103.06 (1113.04), 1103.08 (1113.12), 1103.09 (1113.13),
1103.11 (1113.11), 1103.13 (1113.14), 1103.14 (1113.15), 1103.15 (1113.16),
1103.16 (1113.17), 1103.21 (1117.07), and 1113.01 (1113.02) and to enact new
section 1121.52 and sections 1101.05, 1103.99, 1109.021, 1109.04, 1109.151,
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repeal sections 1105.06, 1107.01, 1109.60, 1115.18, 1115.19, 1115.25, 1121.52,
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(Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing, and Urban Development recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, March 8, 2017, p. 217.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 39 - Representatives Arndt, Gavarone

### Cosponsors: Representatives Anielski, Hambley, Bishoff, Carfagna

To enact section 505.872 of the Revised Code to authorize certain townships to require the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks abutting property.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, March 22, 2017, p. 261.)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 41 - Representative Pelanda

#### Cosponsors: Representatives Becker, Hambley, Seitz, Sprague, Blessing

To amend sections 3503.24, 3505.181, 3505.183, 3505.20, 3505.21, 3509.06, and 3511.11 and to enact section 3509.051 of the Revised Code to modify the law concerning challenges to voter registrations, the appointment of observers, and the procedures for processing absent voter's ballots and for casting absent voter's ballots in person.

(Committee on Government Accountability and Oversight recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, April 26, 2017, p. 357.)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 42 - Representatives Sprague, DeVitis

#### Cosponsor: Representative Seitz

To amend section 1345.99 and to enact section 1345.022 of the Revised Code to prohibit the installation of unsafe used tires on certain motor vehicles.

(Committee on Economic Development, Commerce, and Labor recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, May 10, 2017, p. 449.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 51 - Representative Faber

Cosponsors: Representatives Becker, Brinkman, Butler, Dean, Dever, DeVitis, Green, Goodman, Hagan, Henne, Keller, Kick, Koehler, Lipps, Merrin, Retherford, Riedel, Roegner, Romanchuk, Scherer, Stein, Thompson, Vitale, Young

To amend section 117.46 and to enact sections 101.88, 101.881, 101.882, and 101.89 of the Revised Code to require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, May 16, 2017, p. 463.)

#### H. B. No. 60 - Representatives Hambley, Rogers

Cosponsors: Representatives Seitz, Sheehy, Becker, Retherford, Thompson, Stein, Green

To amend sections 4506.01, 4506.11, 4507.01, 4507.13, and 4507.52 and to enact sections 4506.072, 4507.021, 4507.061, and 4507.511 of the Revised Code to authorize the issuance of an enhanced driver's license, enhanced commercial driver's license, and enhanced identification card to facilitate land and sea border crossings between the United States and Canada and Mexico, pursuant to an agreement with the United States Department of Homeland Security.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 17, 2017, p. 474.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 69 – Representative Cupp

Cosponsors: Representatives Blessing, Dever, Hambley, Hill, Faber, Seitz, Arndt, Carfagna

To amend section 5709.40 of the Revised Code to require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, May 10, 2017, p. 450.)

#### H. B. No. 76 - Representatives Arndt, Gavarone

Cosponsors: Representatives Green, Greenspan, Sheehy, DeVitis, Householder, Hughes, Johnson, Patmon

To amend section 4501.21 and to enact sections 4503.436 and 4503.566 of the Revised Code to create the "Ohio National Guard Ohio Cross" license plate and the "Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge" license plate.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, March 16, 2017, p. 247.)

#### H. B. No. 88 - Representative Anielski

Cosponsors: Representatives Patton, Roegner, Slaby, Howse, Celebrezze, Sykes, Green, Greenspan, DeVitis, Householder, Hughes, Johnson, West

To amend section 4501.21 and to enact section 4503.905 of the Revised Code to create the "Cuyahoga Valley Career Center" license plate.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, March 16, 2017, p. 248.)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 95 - Representatives Hughes, Seitz

Cosponsors: Representatives Duffey, Carfagna, Green, Johnson, Manning, Patton

To amend sections 4511.03, 4511.051, 4511.12, 4511.121, 4511.132, 4511.204, 4511.205, 4511.21, 4511.211, 4511.213, 4511.22, 4511.23, 4511.25, 4511.26, 4511.27, 4511.28, 4511.29, 4511.30, 4511.31, 4511.32, 4511.33, 4511.34, 4511.35, 4511.36, 4511.37, 4511.38, 4511.39, 4511.40, 4511.41, 4511.42, 4511.43, 4511.431, 4511.441, 4511.451, 4511.46, 4511.47, 4511.54, 4511.55, 4511.57, 4511.58, 4511.59, 4511.60, 4511.61, 4511.64, 4511.71, 4511.711, 4511.712, 4511.713, 4511.72, and 4511.73 and to enact section 4511.991 of the Revised Code to establish an enhanced penalty for committing a moving violation while distracted if the distraction is a contributing factor to the commission of the violation and to reenact provisions of law that specified that certain electronic wireless communications device violations were allied offenses of similar import.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, May 18, 2017, p. 490.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 104 – Representative Schaffer

Cosponsors: Representatives Henne, Boccieri, Seitz, Becker, Riedel, Hood, Brinkman, Stein, Bishoff, Dever, Brenner

To amend section 5739.121 of the Revised Code to allow vendors to receive a refund of sales tax remitted for bad debts on private label credit accounts when the debt is charged off as uncollectible by the credit account lender.

(Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing, and Urban Development recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, April 26, 2017, p. 358.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 116 - Representative Merrin

Cosponsors: Representatives Hambley, McColley, Becker, Roegner, Seitz, Carfagna, Hood, Brinkman, Riedel, Goodman, Sheehy, Keller, Antani, Vitale, Zeltwanger, Koehler, Dean, Boccieri, Stein, Retherford, Young, Householder

To amend sections 5739.01 and 5739.02 of the Revised Code to exempt prescription eyeglasses, contact lenses, and other optical aids sold by licensed dispensers from sales and use tax beginning July 2019.

(Committee on Ways and Means recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, April 26, 2017, p. 358.)

#### H. B. No. 122 - Representatives Hambley, Rogers

#### Cosponsors: Representatives West, Smith, K., Sheehy

To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends passage, see House Journal, May 10, 2017, p. 451.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 134 – Representatives Hambley, Kick

#### Cosponsors: Representatives Wiggam, Stein

To amend sections 307.283 and 5739.026 of the Revised Code to allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, May 16; 2017, p. 464.)

#### H. B. No. 135 - Representative Patmon

To enact section 5.49 of the Revised Code to designate June 12th as "Superman Day."

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends passage, see House Journal, May 16, 2017, p. 465.)

#### H. B. No. 136 - Representative Arndt

# Cosponsors: Representatives Green, Greenspan, Sheehy, Hughes, Lepore-Hagan, West

To enact sections 5534.802 and 5534.803 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 61 in Erie County as the "SGT David Sexton Memorial Highway" and a portion of Benton-Carroll Road in Ottawa County as "SGT Glen Millinger Memorial Highway."

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 1, 2017, p. 364.)

#### H. B. No. 140 - Representative Green

Cosponsors: Representatives Boccieri, Cera, Faber, Johnson, Lipps, Miller, Perales, Riedel, Rogers, Sheehy, Sprague, Sweeney, Greenspan, Hughes, Lepore-Hagan

To enact section 5534.78 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 32 in Brown and Highland Counties as the "Army Specialist Danny Raymond King Memorial Highway."

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 1, 2017, p. 365.)

#### H. B. No. 145 – Representatives Huffman, Sprague

#### Cosponsors: Representatives Seitz, Blessing, Butler, Clyde, Faber

To amend sections 4730.32, 4731.224, 4731.25, 4760.16, 4762.16, and 4774.16 and to enact sections 4731.251, 4731.252, 4731.253, and 4778.17 of the Revised Code to provide for the establishment of a confidential program for the treatment of certain impaired practitioners and to declare an emergency.

(Committee on Government Accountability and Oversight recommends passage, see House Journal, June 6, 2017, p. 520.)

#### H. B. No. 159 - Representative Riedel

Cosponsors: Representatives Hambley, Sweeney, Brenner, Dean, Cupp,
Reineke, Blessing, Lepore-Hagan, Smith, K., Goodman, Thompson, Green,
Greenspan, Sheehy, DeVitis, Householder, Hughes, Johnson, Reece, West

To enact section 5.292 of the Revised Code to designate May as "Drive Ohio Byways Month."

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 24, 2017, p. 504.)

#### H. B. No. 194 – Representatives Johnson, Craig

Cosponsors: Representatives Anielski, Arndt, Boccieri, Butler, Conditt, Dean, Dever, Ginter, Gonzales, Keller, Landis, Riedel, Ryan, Stein, Strahorn, Thompson, Wiggam, Green, Greenspan, Sheehy, DeVitis, Householder, Howse, Hughes, Lepore-Hagan, Manning, Reece, West

To enact section 4503.29 and to repeal sections 4503.431, 4503.432, 4503.433, 4503.434, 4503.48, 4503.481, 4503.53, 4503.532, 4503.533, 4503.536, 4503.537, 4503.538, 4503.54, 4503.541, 4503.543, 4503.544, 4503.547, 4503.548, 4503.571, 4503.581, 4503.59, and 4503.731 of the Revised Code to establish a program for the issuance of special license plates related to military service and awards.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 24, 2017, p. 505.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 195 – Representatives Ingram, Seitz

Cosponsors: Representatives Antonio, Blessing, Brenner, Butler, Craig, Dean, Dever, Hagan, Howse, Keller, Kelly, Kent, Lepore-Hagan, Miller, Reineke, Riedel, Romanchuk, Stein, West, Wiggam, Green, Householder, Hughes, Kick, Manning, Reece

To amend sections 4766.01, 4766.04, and 4766.09 of the Revised Code to modify the provisions concerning the transport of persons who require the use of a wheelchair or other mobility aid in nonemergency circumstances.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, May 25, 2017, p. 515.)

#### H. B. No. 196 - Representative Lipps

Cosponsors: Representatives West, Sprague, Riedel, Wiggam, Smith, R., Boccieri, Thompson, Sweeney, Lepore-Hagan, Antonio, Stein, Cupp, Miller, Huffman, Gavarone, Antani, Johnson

To enact section 5.2518 of the Revised Code to designate October as "Ohio Chiropractic Awareness Month."

(Committee on Health recommends passage, see House Journal, May 17, 2017, p. 475.)

#### H. B. No. 202 - Representative Thompson

Cosponsors: Representatives Johnson, Ramos, Stein, Retherford, Arndt,
Rogers, Duffey, Goodman, Riedel, Howse, Smith, K., Romanchuk, Greenspan,
Lepore-Hagan, Conditt, Anielski, Hill, Miller, Boccieri, Gavarone, Hambley,
Scherer, Ginter, Sweeney, Sprague, West, Dean, Brenner, Kent, Cupp, Keller,
Reece, Faber, Lanese, Landis, Young, Zeltwanger

To enact section 5.481 of the Revised Code to designate the first Saturday of May as "Veterans Suicide Awareness Day."

(Committee on Armed Services, Veterans Affairs, and Homeland Security recommends passage, see House Journal, May 25, 2017, p. 516.)

#### H. B. No. 212 - Representative Householder

Cosponsors: Representatives Green, Greenspan, Sheehy, DeVitis, Hughes, Johnson, Keller, Lepore-Hagan, Manning, Patton, Reece, West

To enact section 5534.801 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 16 in Coshocton County as the "Staff Sergeant Paul C. Mardis Jr. Memorial Highway."

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 24, 2017, p. 505.)

#### Am. S. B. No. 2 - Senator Hite

Cosponsors: Senators Gardner, Manning, Yuko, Williams, Brown, Sykes, LaRose, Bacon, Balderson, Beagle, Burke, Dolan, Eklund, Hackett, Hoagland, Hottinger, Huffman, Kunze, Lehner, Obhof, O'Brien, Oelslager, Peterson, Schiavoni, Tavares, Thomas, Uecker Representatives Landis, Leland, Schaffer

To amend sections 1506.21, 1506.23, 3714.01, 3714.02, 3714.051, 3714.06, 3714.062, 3714.082, 3734.061, 3734.19, 3734.20, 3734.21, 3734.22, 3734.23, 3734.30, 5301.80, 6109.02, 6109.08, 6109.24, 6111.03, 6111.04, 6111.07, and 6111.30 and to enact sections 3714.022, 6109.25, 6111.052, 6111.33, and 6111.34 of the Revised Code to revise specified laws relating to environmental protection.

(House committee on Energy and Natural Resources recommends passage, see House Journal, May 24, 2017, p. 502.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 15, 2017, p. 238.)
(Senate committee on Energy and Natural Resources recommends amended bill for passage, see Senate Journal, March 9, 2017, p. 219.)

#### Sub. S. B. No. 7 - Senators Bacon, Manning

Cosponsors: Senators Obhof, Beagle, Gardner, Uecker, Eklund, LaRose, Skindell, Huffman, Hite, Brown, Schiavoni, Hoagland, Wilson, Balderson, Burke, Coley, Dolan, Hackett, Hottinger, Jordan, Kunze, Lehner, Oelslager, Peterson, Sykes, Tavares, Terhar, Thomas, Williams, Yuko Representatives Manning, Rezabek, Celebrezze, Butler, Conditt, Cupp, Kent, Rogers

To amend section 2919.27 of the Revised Code to provide the circumstances when service of a protection order or consent agreement upon a person is not necessary for the person to be convicted of the offense of violating a protection order.

(House committee on Criminal Justice recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, May 17, 2017, p. 472.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 7, 2017, p. 201.)
(Senate committee on Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs recommends amended bill for passage, see Senate Journal, March 7, 2017, p. 195.)

(Senate committee on Rules and Reference recommends re-referral, see Senate Journal, February 8, 2017, p. 120.)

#### S. B. No. 18 - Senator Thomas

Cosponsors: Senators Eklund, Gardner, Beagle, Yuko, Sykes, Brown, Obhof, Coley, Uecker, Bacon, Balderson, Burke, Dolan, Hackett, Hite, Hoagland, Hottinger, Huffman, Jordan, Kunze, LaRose, Lehner, Manning, Oelslager, Peterson, Schiavoni, Skindell, Tavares, Terhar, Williams, Wilson Representatives Hambley, Boyd, Carfagna

To enact section 5.291 of the Revised Code to designate September 12 as "Jesse Owens Day."

(House committee on State and Local Government recommends passage, see House Journal, April 25, 2017, p. 350.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 7, 2017, p. 201.)

(Senate committee on Government Oversight and Reform recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 2, 2017, p. 181.)

#### S. B. No. 27 - Senator Beagle

Cosponsors: Senators Bacon, Brown, Eklund, Gardner, Manning, Obhof, Schiavoni, Thomas, Uecker, Williams, Yuko, Hoagland, Oelslager, Tavares, Burke, Kunze, Hackett, Balderson, Coley, Dolan, Hite, Hottinger, Huffman, Jordan, LaRose, Lehner, Peterson, Skindell, Sykes, Terhar, Wilson Representatives Hambley, Boyd, Carfagna

To amend section 5.2281 of the Revised Code to designate the period beginning March 13 and ending April 15 as "Ohio Deaf History Month."

(House committee on State and Local Government recommends passage, see House Journal, April 25, 2017, p. 351.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 7, 2017, p. 203.)
(Senate committee on Health, Human Services and Medicaid recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 2, 2017, p. 181.)

#### S. B. No. 57 - Senator Kunze

Cosponsors: Senators Coley, Brown, Beagle, Eklund, Schiavoni, Oelslager, Yuko, Hackett, Lehner, Tavares, Gardner, Bacon, Balderson, Burke, Dolan, Hite, Hoagland, Huffman, LaRose, Manning, Obhof, O'Brien, Peterson, Skindell, Sykes, Terhar, Thomas, Uecker, Williams, Wilson Representatives Huffman, Gavarone, Antonio, Barnes, Duffey, Ginter, Kent, LaTourette, Lepore-Hagan, West

To enact section 5.291 of the Revised Code to designate the seventeenth day of May as "Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma Awareness Day."

(House committee on Health recommends passage, see House Journal, May 1, 2017, p. 363.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 15, 2017, p. 239.)

(Senate committee on Health, Human Services and Medicaid recommends passage, see Senate Journal, March 8, 2017, p. 209.)

Have a great evening!

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# 132ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO

#### **HOUSE CALENDAR**

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 7, 2017 - 1:30 PM

#### **Bills for Third Consideration**

#### Sub, S. B. No. 25 - Senator Hottinger

Cosponsors: Senators Coley, Bacon, Balderson, Dolan, Eklund, Gardner, Hoagland, Skindell, Thomas, Yuko Representatives Manning, Rezabek, Conditt, Rogers

To amend sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, 1901.312, 1901.34, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code and to amend Section 729.10 of Am. Sub. H.B. 483 of the 130th General Assembly, as subsequently amended, to create the Perry County Municipal Court in New Lexington on January 1, 2018, to establish one full-time judgeship in that court, to provide for the nomination of the judge by petition only, to abolish the Perry County County Court on that date, to designate the Perry County Clerk of Courts as the clerk of the Perry County Municipal Court, to provide for the election for the Perry County Municipal Court of one full-time judge in 2017, to modify the provisions regarding the membership of the Criminal Justice Recodification Committee, and to declare an emergency.

(House committee on Criminal Justice recommends passage, see House Journal, March 22, 2017, p. 260.)

(Senate recommends passage, see Senate Journal, February 15, 2017, p. 148.)

(Senate committee on Judiciary recommends substitute bill for passage, see Senate Journal, February 14, 2017, p. 131.)

#### Am, H. B. No. 46 - Representative Sprague

Cosponsors: Representatives Arndt, Blessing, Dean, Henne, Schaffer, Seitz, Dever, Brenner To amend section 135.35 of the Revised Code to modify the qualifications regarding notes eligible for investment of county inactive moneys.

(Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing, and Urban Development recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, April 26, 2017, p. 357.)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 68 - Representative Anielski

Cosponsors: Representatives Becker, Vitale, Riedel, Greenspan, Scherer, Blessing, Dean, Lipps, Ashford, Sprague, Boccieri, Fedor, Leland, Rogers, Sweeney, Manning, Celebrezze, Conditt, Galonski

To amend sections 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2929.13, and 2929.14 of the Revised Code to include conduct involving an impaired person within the offenses of pandering obscenity involving a minor, pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor, and illegal use of a minor in a nudity-oriented material or performance.

(Committee on Criminal Justice recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, May 24, 2017, p. 503.)

(Bills or resolutions below the black line have been recommended for passage or adoption by designated committees)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 2 - Representative Seitz

To amend sections 2315.18, 2315.21, 4112.01, 4112.02, 4112.04, 4112.05, 4112.08, 4112.14, and 4112.99; to amend, for the purpose of adopting new section numbers as indicated in parentheses; sections 4112.051 (4112.055) and 4112.052 (4112.056); and to enact new sections 4112.051 and 4112.052 and section 4112.054 of the Revised Code to modify Ohio civil rights laws related to employment.

(Committee on Economic Development, Commerce, and Labor recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, May 10, 2017, p. 449.)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 35 - Representative Hughes

Cosponsors: Representatives Patton, Lipps, Antani, Blessing, Faber, Schaffer, Hambley, Sprague, Boccieri, Seitz, Dever, Brenner, Leland

To amend sections 102.02, 109.572, 111.15, 119.01, 121.07, 131.11, 135.03, 135.032, 135.32, 135.321, 135.51, 135.52, 135.53, 323.134, 339.06, 513.17, 749.081, 755.141, 902.01, 924.10, 924.26, 924.45, 1101.01, 1101.02, 1101.03, 1101.15, 1101.16, 1103.01, 1103.02, 1103.03, 1103.06, 1103.07, 1103.08, 1103.09, 1103.11, 1103.13, 1103.14, 1103.15, 1103.16, 1103.18, 1103.19, 1103.20, 1103.21, 1105.01, 1105.02, 1105.03, 1105.04, 1105.08, 1105.10, 1105.11, 1107.03, 1107.05, 1107.07, 1107.09, 1107.11, 1107.13, 1107.15, 1109.01, 1109.02, 1109.03, 1109.05, 1109.08, 1109.10, 1109.15, 1109.16, 1109.17, 1109.22, 1109.23, 1109.24, 1109.25, 1109.26, 1109.31, 1109.32, 1109.33, 1109.34, 1109.35, 1109.36, 1109.39, 1109.40, 1109.43, 1109.44, 1109.45, 1109.47, 1109.48, 1109.49, 1109.53, 1109.54, 1109.55, 1109.59, 1109.61, 1109,63, 1109.64, 1109.65, 1109.69, 1111.01, 1111.02, 1111.03, 1111.04, 1111.06, 1111.07, 1111.08, 1111.09, 1113.01, 1113.03, 1113.05, 1113.06, 1113.08, 1113.09, 1115.01, 1115.05, 1115.06, 1115.07, 1115.11, 1115.111, 1115.14, 1115.15, 1115.20, 1115.23, 1115.27, 1117.01, 1117.02, 1117.04, 1117.05, 1119.11, 1119.17, 1119.23, 1119.26, 1121.01, 1121.02, 1121.05, 1121.06, 1121.10, 1121.12, 1121.13, 1121.15, 1121.16, 1121.17, 1121.18, 1121.21, 1121.23, 1121, 26, 1121, 30, 1121, 33, 1121, 34, 1121, 38, 1121, 41, 1121, 43, 1121, 45, 1121, 47, 1121, 48, 1121,50, 1121,56, 1123.01, 1125.01, 1125.03, 1125.04, 1125.05, 1125.06, 1125.09, 1125.10, 1125.11, 1125.12, 1125.13, 1125.14, 1125.17, 1125.18, 1125.19, 1125.20, 1125.21, 1125.22, 1125,23, 1125,24, 1125,25, 1125,26, 1125,27, 1125,28, 1125,29, 1125,30, 1125,33, 1181,01, 1181.02, 1181.03, 1181.04, 1181.05, 1181.06, 1181.07, 1181.10, 1181.11, 1181.21, 1181.25, 1349.16, 1509.07, 1509.225, 1510.09, 1514.04, 1707.03, 1901.31, 2335.25, 3351.07, 3767.41, 4303.293, and 5814.01; to amend, for the purpose of adopting new section numbers as indicated in parentheses, sections 1103.01 (1113.01), 1103.06 (1113.04), 1103.08 (1113.12), 1103.09 (1113.13), 1103.11 (1113.11), 1103.13 (1113.14), 1103.14 (1113.15), 1103.15 (1113.16), 1103.16 (1113.17), 1103.21 (1117.07), and 1113.01 (1113.02) and to enact new section 1121.52 and sections 1101.05, 1103.99, 1109.021, 1109.04, 1109.151, 1109.441, 1109.62, 1114.01, 1114.02, 1114.03, 1114.04, 1114.05, 1114.06, 1114.07, 1114.08, 1114.09, 1114.10, 1114.11, 1114.12, 1114.16, 1115.02, 1115.03, 1115.24, 1116.01, 1116.02, 1116.05, 1116.06, 1116.07, 1116.08, 1116.09, 1116.10, 1116.11, 1116.12, 1116.13, 1116.16, 1116.18, 1116.19, 1116.20, 1116.21, and 1121.19, and to repeal sections 1105.06, 1107.01, 1109.60, 1115.18, 1115.19, 1115.25, 1121.52, 1133.01, 1133.02, 1133.03, 1133.04, 1133.05, 1133.06, 1133.07, 1133.08, 1133.09, 1133.10, 1133.11, 1133.12, 1133.13, 1133.14, 1133.15, 1133.16, 1151.01, 1151.02, 1151.03, 1151.04, 1151.05, 1151.051, 1151.052, 1151.053, 1151.06, 1151.07, 1151.08, 1151.081, 1151.09, 1151.091, 1151.10, 1151.11, 1151.12, 1151.13, 1151.14, 1151.15, 1151.16, 1151.17, 1151.18, 1151,19, 1151,191, 1151,192, 1151,20, 1151,201, 1151,21, 1151,22, 1151,23, 1151,231, 1151,24, 1151,25, 1151,26, 1151,27, 1151,28, 1151,29, 1151,291, 1151,292, 1151,293, 1151,294, 1151.295, 1151.296, 1151.297, 1151.298, 1151.299, 1151.2910, 1151.2911, 1151.30, 1151.31, 1151,311, 1151,312, 1151,32, 1151,321, 1151,323, 1151,33, 1151,34, 1151,341, 1151,342, 1151.343, 1151.344, 1151.345, 1151.346, 1151.347, 1151.348, 1151.349, 1151.35, 1151.36, 1151,361, 1151,37, 1151,38, 1151,39, 1151,40, 1151,41, 1151,411, 1151,42, 1151,44, 1151,45, 1151.46, 1151.47, 1151.471, 1151.48, 1151.49, 1151.51, 1151.52, 1151.53, 1151.54, 1151.55, 1151.60, 1151.61, 1151.62, 1151.63, 1151.64, 1151.66, 1151.71, 1151.72, 1151.99, 1153.03,

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        1181.16, 1181.17, and 1181.18 of the Revised Code for the purpose of enacting a new banking
        law for the State of Ohio.
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(Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing, and Urban Development recommends substitute biff for passage, see House Journal, March 8, 2017, p. 217.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 39 - Representatives Arndt, Gavarone

#### Cosponsors: Representatives Anielski, Hambley, Bishoff, Carfagna

To enact section 505.872 of the Revised Code to authorize certain townships to require the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks abutting property.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, March 22, 2017, p. 261.)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 41 - Representative Pelanda

#### Cosponsors: Representatives Becker, Hambley, Seitz, Sprague, Blessing

To amend sections 3503.24, 3505.181, 3505.183, 3505.20, 3505.21, 3509.06, and 3511.11 and to enact section 3509.051 of the Revised Code to modify the law concerning challenges to voter registrations, the appointment of observers, and the procedures for processing absent voter's ballots and for casting absent voter's ballots in person.

(Committee on Government Accountability and Oversight recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, April 26, 2017, p. 357.)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 42 - Representatives Sprague, DeVitis

#### Cosponsor: Representative Seitz

To amend section 1345.99 and to enact section 1345.022 of the Revised Code to prohibit the installation of unsafe used tires on certain motor vehicles.

(Committee on Economic Development, Commerce, and Labor recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, May 10, 2017, p. 449.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 51 - Representative Faber

Cosponsors: Representatives Becker, Brinkman, Butler, Dean, Dever, DeVitis, Green, Goodman, Hagan, Henne, Keller, Kick, Koehler, Lipps, Merrin, Retherford, Riedel, Roegner, Romanchuk, Scherer, Stein, Thompson, Vitale, Young

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To amend section 117.46 and to enact sections 101.88, 101.881, 101.882, and 101.89 of the Revised Code to require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and subset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, May 16, 2017, p. 463.)

#### H. B. No. 60 - Representatives Hambley, Rogers

Cosponsors: Representatives Scitz, Sheehy, Becker, Retherford, Thompson, Stein, Green To amend sections 4506.01, 4506.11, 4507.01, 4507.13, and 4507.52 and to enact sections 4506.072, 4507.021, 4507.061, and 4507.511 of the Revised Code to authorize the issuance of an enhanced driver's license, enhanced commercial driver's license, and enhanced identification card to facilitate land and sea border crossings between the United States and Canada and Mexico, pursuant to an agreement with the United States Department of Homeland Security.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 17, 2017, p. 474.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 69 - Representative Cupp

Cosponsors: Representatives Blessing, Dever, Hambley, Hill, Faber, Seitz, Arndt, Carfagna To amend section 5709.40 of the Revised Code to require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, May 10, 2017, p. 450.)

#### H. B. No. 76 - Representatives Arndt, Gavarone

Cosponsors: Representatives Green, Greenspan, Sheehy, DeVitis, Householder, Hughes, Johnson, Patmon

To amend section 4501.21 and to enact sections 4503.436 and 4503.566 of the Revised Code to create the "Ohio National Guard Ohio Cross" license plate and the "Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge" license plate.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, March 16, 2017, p. 247.)

#### H. B. No. 88 - Representative Anielski

Cosponsors: Representatives Patton, Roegner, Slaby, Howse, Celebrezze, Sykes, Green, Greenspan, DeVitis, Householder, Hughes, Johnson, West

To amend section 4501.21 and to enact section 4503.905 of the Revised Code to create the "Cuyahoga Valley Career Center" license plate.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, March 16, 2017, p. 248.)

#### Sub. H. B. No. 95 - Representatives Hughes, Seitz

Cosponsors: Representatives Duffey, Carfagna, Green, Johnson, Manning, Patton
To amend sections 4511.03, 4511.051, 4511.12, 4511.121, 4511.132, 4511.204, 4511.205,
4511.21, 4511.211, 4511.213, 4511.22, 4511.23, 4511.25, 4511.26, 4511.27, 4511.28, 4511.29,
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4511.54, 4511.55, 4511.57, 4511.58, 4511.59, 4511.60, 4511.61, 4511.64, 4511.71, 4511.711,
4511.712, 4511.713, 4511.72, and 4511.73 and to enact section 4511.991 of the Revised Code to establish an enhanced penalty for committing a moving violation while distracted if the distraction is a contributing factor to the commission of the violation and to reenact provisions of law that specified that certain electronic wireless communications device violations were allied offenses of similar import.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends substitute bill for passage, see House Journal, May 18, 2017, p. 490.)

# Am. H. B. No. 104 - Representative Schaffer

# Cosponsors: Representatives Henne, Boccieri, Seitz, Becker, Riedel, Hood, Brinkman, Stein, Bishoff, Dever, Brenner

To amend section 5739.121 of the Revised Code to allow vendors to receive a refund of sales tax remitted for bad debts on private label credit accounts when the debt is charged off as uncollectible by the credit account lender.

(Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing, and Urban Development recommends amended bill for passage, see House
Journal, April 26, 2017, p. 358.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 116 - Representative Merrin

Cosponsors: Representatives Hambley, McColley, Becker, Roegner, Seitz, Carfagna, Hood, Brinkman, Riedel, Goodman, Sheehy, Keller, Antani, Vitale, Zeltwanger, Koehler, Dean, Boccieri, Stein, Retherford, Young, Householder

To amend sections 5739.01 and 5739.02 of the Revised Code to exempt prescription eyeglasses, contact lenses, and other optical aids sold by licensed dispensers from sales and use tax beginning July 2019.

(Committee on Ways and Means recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, April 26, 2017, p. 358.)

#### H. B. No. 122 - Representatives Hambley, Rogers

#### Cosponsors: Representatives West, Smith, K., Sheehy

To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends passage, see House Journal, May 10, 2017, p. 451.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 134 - Representatives Hambley, Kick

#### Cosponsors: Representatives Wiggam, Stein

To amend sections 307,283 and 5739.026 of the Revised Code to allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district.

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, May 16, 2017, p. 464.)

#### H. B. No. 135 - Representative Patmon

To enact section 5.49 of the Revised Code to designate June 12th as "Superman Day."

(Committee on State and Local Government recommends passage, see House Journal, May 16, 2017, p. 465.)

#### H. B. No. 136 - Representative Arndt

Cosponsors: Representatives Green, Greenspan, Sheehy, Hughes, Lepore-Hagan, West To enact sections 5534.802 and 5534.803 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 61 in Eric County as the "SGT David Sexton Memorial Highway" and a portion of Benton-Carroll Road in Ottawa County as "SGT Glen Millinger Memorial Highway."

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 1, 2017, p. 364.)

#### H. B. No. 140 - Representative Green

Cosponsors: Representatives Boccieri, Cera, Faber, Johnson, Lipps, Miller, Perales, Riedel, Rogers, Sheehy, Sprague, Sweeney, Greenspan, Hughes, Lepore-Hagan
To enact section 5534.78 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 32 in Brown

and Highland Counties as the "Army Specialist Danny Raymond King Memorial Highway."

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 1, 2017, p. 365.)

#### H. B. No. 145 - Representatives Huffman, Sprague

#### Cosponsors: Representatives Seitz, Blessing, Butler, Clyde, Faber

To amend sections 4730.32, 4731.224, 4731.25, 4760.16, 4762.16, and 4774.16 and to enact sections 4731.251, 4731.252, 4731.253, and 4778.17 of the Revised Code to provide for the establishment of a confidential program for the treatment of certain impaired practitioners and to declare an emergency.

(Committee on Government Accountability and Oversight recommends passage, see House Journal, June 6, 2017, p. 520.)

#### H. B. No. 159 - Representative Riedel

Cosponsors: Representatives Hambley, Sweeney, Brenner, Dean, Cupp, Reineke, Blessing, Lepore-Hagan, Smith, K., Goodman, Thompson, Green, Greenspan, Sheehy, DeVitis, Householder, Hughes, Johnson, Reece, West

To enact section 5,292 of the Revised Code to designate May as "Drive Ohio Byways Month."

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 24, 2017, p. 504.)

#### H. B. No. 194 - Representatives Johnson, Craig

Cosponsors: Representatives Anielski, Arndt, Boccieri, Butler, Conditt, Dean, Dever, Ginter, Gonzales, Keller, Landis, Riedel, Ryan, Stein, Strahorn, Thompson, Wiggam, Green, Greenspan, Sheehy, DeVitis, Householder, Howse, Hughes, Lepore-Hagan, Manning, Reece, West

To enact section 4503.29 and to repeal sections 4503.431, 4503.432, 4503.433, 4503.434, 4503.48, 4503.481, 4503.53, 4503.532, 4503.533, 4503.536, 4503.537, 4503.538, 4503.544, 4503.547, 4503.548, 4503.571, 4503.581, 4503.59, and 4503.731 of the Revised Code to establish a program for the issuance of special license plates related to military service and awards.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends passage, see House Journal, May 24, 2017, p. 505.)

#### Am. H. B. No. 195 - Representatives Ingram, Seitz

Cosponsors: Representatives Antonio, Blessing, Brenner, Butler, Craig, Dean, Dever, Hagan, Howse, Keller, Kelly, Kent, Lepore-Hagan, Miller, Reineke, Riedel, Romanchuk, Stein, West, Wiggam, Green, Householder, Hughes, Kick, Manning, Reece

To amend sections 4766.01, 4766.04, and 4766.09 of the Revised Code to modify the provisions concerning the transport of persons who require the use of a wheelchair or other mobility aid in nonemergency circumstances.

(Committee on Transportation and Public Safety recommends amended bill for passage, see House Journal, May 25, 2017, p. 515.)

#### H. B. No. 196 - Representative Lipps

Cosponsors: Representatives West, Sprague, Riedel, Wiggam, Smith, R., Boccieri, Thompson, Sweeney, Lepore-Hagan, Antonio, Stein, Cupp, Miller, Huffman, Gavarone, Antani, Johnson

To enact section 5.2518 of the Revised Code to designate October as "Ohio Chiropractic Awareness Month."

(Committee on Health recommends passage, see House Journal, May 17, 2017, p. 475.)

#### H. B. No. 202 - Representative Thompson